# **FLORA**

OF THE

# PRESIDENCY OF MADRAS

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#### INTRODUCTION TO PART IV.

This Part ends with the description of the genus Diospyros; the key to the species and their enumeration will begin Part V.

I think it well here to draw attention to Supplementary Notes which are being published, from time to time, in the 'Kew Bulletin.' The following have already appeared:

No. I, by Mr. S. T. Dunn, 1916, p. 57;

No. II, by Mr. J. S. GAMBLE, 1918, p. 222;

No. III, by Mr. J. S. Gamble, 1920, p. 49.

Others will appear by degrees.

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#### Family LXXXIII. RUBIACEAE.

Trees shrubs or herbs, erect prostrate or climbing. Leaves opposite or whorled, entire; stipules various, inter- or intrapetiolar, sometimes united together or to the leaves, entire toothed or setose, very rarely 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, rarely unisexual, usually regular, the inflorescence various. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; limb various. Corolla regular, gamopetalous; lobes 4—5, valvate imbricate or contorted. Stamens as many as the corolla lobes, inserted on its mouth or tube; filaments short or long; anthers 2-celled. Disk epigynous, usually annular or cushion-shaped. Ovary inferior, 2—10-celled; ovules 1 or more in each cell; style simple or cleft; stigmas various. Fruit 2—10-celled, a berry drupe or capsule or of separating cocci. Seeds various; albumen fleshy or horny; cotyledons flat or semi-terete; radicle superior or inferior.

Ovules, with few exceptions, more than 2, usually numerous, in each cell:-Flowers collected in dense globose heads:-Trees or shrubs:-Calyx-tubes fused into a fleshy mass; ovary 2-celled; stigma fusiform 1. Nauclea. Calyx-tubes not fused into a fleshy mass: Corolla-lobes imbricate; flowers ebracteolate:— Corolla-lobes valvate; flowers bracteolate:-Stigma clavate; calyx-limb 5-lobed......4. Adina. Climbing shrubs with peduncles sometimes transformed into hooks 6. Uncaria. Flowers not usually collected in dense globose heads:-Fruit capsular, 2- rarely 4-celled: Corolla-lobes valvate:-Seeds winged; flowers in terminal panicles:-Capsule loculicidal; flower panicles with foliaceous reticulate petioled Capsule septicidal; no foliaceous bracts; corolla lobes with pilose margins...... Cinchona. Seeds not winged:-Corolla-lobes entire: -Anthers connivent, dehiscing by apical pores; corolla rotate:-Stigma I, capitate; small herbs with thin leaves and small stipules 10. Argostemma. Stigmas 2, capitate; large herbs with large leaves and large, usually 

Anthers not connivent, dehiscing laterally:-
Calyx-teeth 4; capsule septi- or loculi-cidal or indehiscent:—
Seeds numerous, minute, angular or rounded; testa reticulat
or pitted 12. Oldenlandis
Seeds few, plano-convex or globose with a ventral cavity
13. Anotis
Calyx-teeth 5; capsule obcordate, of 2 compressed lobes, loculicida
Caryx-teem 5, capsine obcordate, of 2 compressed tobes, fortificities
above the calyx
Fruit a fleshy berry:
Corolla-lobes valvate in bud; seeds many:—
Inflorescence terminal:—
Calyx with 1 lobe usually forming a coloured leaf15. Mussaenda
Calyx-lobes 5, slender, no coloured leaf16. Acranthera
Inflorescence axillary; calyx 4—7-lobed:—
Cymes loose and spreading; leaves large, membranous17. Mycetia
Cymes close; leaves small, nearly coriaceous18. Urophyllum
Corolla-lobes imbricate; inflorescence terminal; corolla-tube long, cylindric
Hamelia
Corolla-lobes twisted in bud:—
Inflorescence terminal:—
Flowers bisexual 19. Chomelia
Flowers dioecious
Inflorescence usually axillary:—
Ovary 2-celled
Ovary 1-celled
Ovary 2-3-celled, flowers in axillary clusters23. Tricalysia.
Ovules 2 in each cell, 1 pendulous, 1 erect
Ovules a result call cent in pendulous, I elect
Ovules usually solitary in each cell:—
Radicle superior:—
Corolla-lobes valvate in bud:— Fruit of 2 mericarps separating from a columella; herbaceous plants
25. Knoxia,
Fruit a drupe with 2-many free or cohering pyrenes; shrubs or trees:—
Ovary 2-celled
Ovary 3—3-celled
Corolla-lobes twisted in bud; ovary 1-celled, 1-2-ovuled28. Octotropis.
Radicle inferior:—
Corolla-lobes twisted in bud:—
Flowers in panicles or corymbs, no calyculus:—
Flowers 4-merous; style glabrous:—
Bracts coriaceous, not sheathing; style 2-branched; leaves thick
29. Ixora.
Bracts membranous, lower sheathing; style entire; leaves thin
30. Pavetta.
Flowers 5-merous; style often hairy; leaves leathery31. Stylocoryne.
Flowers solitary or in axillary fascicles; calyculus single or double
32. Coffea.
Corolla-lobes valvate in bud:—
Ovules basal:—
Style chart fruit a drupe with 2 or more pyrenes.
Inflorescence terminal corymbose or panicled rarely capitate:
Corolla usually short and straight 22 Porch 1
Inflorescence terminal, corymbose or panicled, rarely capitate:—  Corolla usually short and straight
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innotescence capitate of rascicled, axinary or terminal:—
Exect neros with narrow leaves
Exect shrubs with distichous leaves
Flowers solitary or few; fetid shrubs38. Saprosma.
Brect herbs with narrow leaves
Ovares on the septum.—
Trees or shrubs; stipules undivided:—
Flowers sessile, in capitate heads, the calvx-tubes confluent
40. Morinda.
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#### 1. Nauclea, Linn. emend.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves petioled; stipules persistent or caducous. Flowers crowded in globose, usually solitary, terminal, pedunculate heads, the calyx-tubes fused into a fleshy mass with the receptacle; bracts stipular; bracteoles 0. Calyx-lobes 4—5, persistent or caducous. Corolla-tube long, funnel-shaped, the throat glabrous; lobes 4—5, imbricate. Stamens 4—5, on the throat of the corolla, subsessile; anthers ovate, acute. Ovary 2-celled; ovules very many, imbricate, on pendulous placentas; style long; stigma fusiform. Fruit a fleshy globose mass of 2-celled pyrenes with very thin septa. Seeds few in each cell, ovoid, imbricate, not winged; testa crustaceous, usually pitted; albumen fleshy; embryo rather large, radicle inferior.

NAUCLEA MISSIONIS, W. & A. 392; F. B. I. iii. 27.

W. Coast, in Malabar and Travancore, up to 1,500 ft., on river

A small evergreen tree with elliptic-lanceolate, glabrous, shining leaves up to 5 in. long and yellowish-white fragrant flowers. Bark smooth; wood dark yellow, moderately hard. Vern. *Tam. Mal.* Attu vanji.

Nauclea orientalis, Linn. (Sarcocephalus cordatus, Miq.; F. B. I. iii. 22) is a large tree native of Ceylon and elsewhere, sometimes planted in gardens in Madras.

#### 2. Anthocephalus, A. Rich.

Trees; branchlets thick, terete. Leaves petioled, ovate; stipules lanceolate, caducous. Flowers crowded in terminal, peduncled, globose, solitary heads; bracts stipular, at the base of the peduncle; bracteoles 0. Calyx-tubes closely pressed together but not fused, 5-lobed. Corollatube long, funnel-shaped, throat glabrous; lobes 5, imbricate. Stamens 5, on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers ovate-sagittate, apiculate. Ovary 4-celled above, 2-celled below; ovules very many, horizontal, on 2 bifid placentas which ascend from the septum and send arms into the upper cells; style filiform, exserted; stigma fusiform. Fruit a fleshy orange globose enlarged receptacle on which the capsules are embedded, the capsules having, under the thin envelope, 4 crustaceous caps to the upper part, the lower part membranous and fragile. Seeds many, angular; testa muriculate; albumen fleshy; embryo minute with rounded cotyledons, radicle superior, cylindric.

Anthocephalus indicus, A. Rich. A. Cadamba, Miq.; F. B. I. iii.

23. Nauclea Cadamba, Roxb.; Bedd. Fl. t. 35.

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culturation in the

N. Circars, along river banks; Deccan, in Kurnool and Cuddapah; W. Coast and W. Gháts, at low levels in wet places up to 1,500

ft., frequently cultivated for ornament.

A large deciduous tree with clean cylindrical stem and horizontal branches, the leaves reaching 1 ft. in length and 6 in. in breadth and often pubescent beneath, the fragrant flowers in handsome large globular orange heads with white stigmas, the fruit yellowish, fleshy. Bark dark grey; wood white or yellowish, soft and evengrained, but little used. Vern. Hind. Kadam; Ur. Kadambo; Tel. Kadambe; Tam. Vella cadambu; Mal. Attu ték, Kodavara.

#### 3. Neonauclea, Merr.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves sessile or petioled; stipules entire, flat, deciduous. Flowers crowded in globose, solitary or, sub-panicled, peduncled heads; bracts large, caducous; bracteoles setiform, glabrous, or 0. Calyx-tube prism-shaped; lobes 5, linear or triangular subulate, often with valvate processes at the apex. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped; lobes 5, imbricate. Stamens 5, on the throat of the corolla; anthers oblong or linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous in each cell on pendulous placentas; style long, thickened; stigma globose. Fruit a globose receptacle bearing capsules each of 2 cocci, usually separating from a persistent axis. Seeds imbricate, elongate, flattened; testa striate, winged, the upper wing 2-horned, the lower acuminate; albumen fleshy.

NEONAUCLEA PURPUREA, Merr. in Interp. Rumph. Herb. Amb. 483. Nauclea purpurea, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 54; F. B. I. iii. 26; W. & A.

391 in part. N. elliptica, Bedd. Ic. t. 19.

N. Circars, hills of Godavari at 2,000 ft., in moist valleys; Deccan, hills of Coimbatore; W. Gháts, from S. Canara to Malabar, up to 3,000 ft.

A small tree with elliptic-lanceolate acute leaves up to 8 in. long and heads of purple flowers. Wood light red, smooth, even-grained. Vern. Kan. Ahnan; Tel. Bagada.

#### 4. Adina, Salisb.

Trees or shrubs; branchlets terete. Leaves petioled, ovate-lanceolate or cordate; stipules large, caducous. Flowers small, crowded in solitary or panicled globose peduncled heads, the receptacle with stiff hairs; bracts in pairs on the peduncle or 0; bracteoles paleaceous. Calyx-tube 5-angled; lobes 5. Corolla-tube elongate, funnel-shaped at top, the throat glabrous; lobes 5, valvate. Stamens 5, on the mouth of the corolla; filaments short; anthers oblong. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous, on a pendulous placenta in each cell; style filiform; stigma clavate or capitate. Fruit a cluster of capsules each separating into 2 follicular cocci, many-seeded. Seeds oblong; testa winged, reticulate; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat; radicle superior, cylindric.

ADINA CORDIFOLIA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 25; Brand. For. Fl. t. 33. Nauclea cordifolia, Willd.; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 53; W. & A. 391; Bedd. Fl. t. 33.

All dry deciduous forests in the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, less common in W. Gháts, usually sporadic but occasionally

gregarious on old cultivated lands.

A large and beautiful deciduous tree with orbicular-cordate abruptly acuminate large leaves, yellow flowers in rather small heads and capsular fruits with small narrow seeds tailed above. Bark thick, grey, rough; wood yellow, moderately hard and evengrained, used for furniture, agricultural implements, combs, etc., in Coconada for cigar-boxes. Young trees are often cut for houseposts. Vern. Hind. Haldu; Ur. Holonda; Tel. Bandaru; Tam., Mal. Manja kadambe; Kan. Ahnau.

#### 5. Mitragyna, Korth.

Trees or shrubs; branchlets terete. Leaves petioled; stipules large, caducous. Flowers crowded in globose, axillary and terminal, solitary or panicled, pedunculate heads, the receptacle hirsute; bracts 2, on the peduncle, caducous, with often 2 small leaves; bracteoles many, paleaceous. Calyx-tube obconic, truncate or 5-toothed; limb tubular or 0. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped, the throat glabrous or pilose; lobes 5, valvate. Stamens 5, on the throat of the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers oblong, apiculate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many, imbricate, on pendulous placentas in each cell; style filiform; stigma mitriform, hollow at base. Fruit a globose head of capsules, each with 2 follicular cocci, many-seeded. Seeds flattened, testa winged, reticulate; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flattened; radicle superior.

1. MITRAGYNA PARVIFOLIA, Korth. Stephegyne parvifolia, Korth.; F. B. I. iii. 25. Nauclea parvifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 52; W. & A. 396; Bedd. Fl. t. 34.

All dry deciduous forests in the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, less common on W. Coast, and sometimes in evergreen forests

and on old cultivated lands, sporadic.

A large deciduous tree with leaves very variable in shape and size. Bark light grey, smooth; wood light pinkish-brown, evengrained, used for furniture, implements and utensils. Vern. Hind. Kadam; Ur. Mundi-mundi; Tel. Nir kadambe; Tam. Chinna kadambu; Mal. Vimba; Kan. Kongu.

2. MITRAGYNA TUBULOSA, Hav. in Journ. Linn. Soc. xxxiii. 70. Stephegyne tubulosa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 25. Nauclea tubulosa, Arn.;

Bedd. Ic. t. 18.

W. Coast, in Cochin and Travancore, both in evergreen and deciduous forests, often in grassy lands at the foot of the hills. A small deciduous tree with purple flowers and a pinkish-brown wood. Vern. *Mal.* Malan thumba.

# 6. Uncaria, Schreb.

Climbing shrubs with usually angular branchlets and sometimes having some of the axillary peduncles changed into strong recurved

hooks. Leaves petioled; stipules interpetiolar, entire or bifid. Flowers in terminal or axillary, peduncled, solitary or panicled, globose heads; bracts in pairs on the peduncle, bracteoles small or 0. Calyx-tube fusiform; limb 5-lobed or -partite. Corolla-tube long, funnel-shaped; lobes 5, valvate or imbricate. Stamens 5, on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers oblong with 2 basal bristles. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many, imbricate, on projecting placentas; style slender; stigma capitate or clavate. Fruit a head of capsules, each capsule elongate, septicidally 2-valved, many-seeded. Seeds imbricating upwards, very small; testa with long wings above and below; albumen fleshy; embryo clavate.

Uncaria sessilifructus, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 30.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, at 5,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington). A large climber with thin, elliptic, acute leaves up to 4.5 in. long and prominent curved axillary hooks.

#### 7. Wendlandia, Bartl.

Small trees or shrubs. Leaves opposite or ternately whorled; stipules entire or 2-fid. Flowers small, white pinkish or yellowish, in dense terminal thyrsoid or panicled cymes; bracteoles 2—3, sometimes more, on the pedicels. Calyx-tube subglobose; lobes 4—5, small, persistent. Corolla tubular- salver- or funnel-shaped, globose or hairy within; lobes 4—5, imbricate in bud. Stamens 4—5, between the corolla-lobes; anthers versatile, exserted. Ovary 2- rarely 3-celled; ovules numerous on small globose placentas adnate to the septum; style filiform; stigma 2-fid. Fruit a small globose loculicidal capsule, 2-valved. Seeds very small; testa membranous, reticulate; albumen fleshy; embryo short.

Calyx-tube glabrous:-

 softly pubescent; stipules triangular; corolla-tube ·15 in. long, villous within; 

1. Wendlandia exserta, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 37; W. & A. 402.

N. Circars, Sál forests of Ganjam, not common.

A small often deciduous tree with ashy-grey foliage and fragrant white flowers. Bark brown; wood reddish-brown, hard, closegrained. Vern. Hind. Chaulai; Ur. Tilai; Mar. Til.

2. Wendlandia glabrata, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 39. W. Heyneana. Wall.;

W. & A. 403.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam Vizagapatam and Godavari, up to 4,500 ft.

A small tree, glabrous, with rather large white flowers and distantly and not prominently nerved leaves.

3. WENDLANDIA BICUSPIDATA, W. & A. 403. W. Notoniana var. bicuspidata, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 40.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore.

A small tree.

4. Wendlandia angustifolia, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 40.

Deccan, forests of Cuddapah (Beddome); W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, at Courtallum (Wight) and Kannikatti (Rangachari). A small tree with narrow whorled leaves and compact flower panicles.

5. Wendlandia tinctoria, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 38.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam; Deccan, from the Nallamalai forests of Kurnool to the Naggur hills in N. Arcot, not common.

A small tree with pubescent panicles and strongly nerved leaves. 6. Wendlandia Notoniana, Wall; F. B. I. iii. 40; W. & A. 403; Wt.

Ic. t. 1033, Spic. Neilgh. t. 95; Bedd. Fl. t. 224.

Deccan, hills of Cuddapah Bellary and Coimbatore, above 3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara to the Nilgiris Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 5,000 ft., Shevaroy hills. A shrub or small tree, with leaves in whorls, the flowers pale

yellow and fragrant. Bark orange red, fibrous; wood reddish brown, moderately hard. Vern. Tam. Kadamban; Mal. Puvu.

7. Wendlandia Lawii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 40.

W. Gháts, Bababudan hills of Mysore (Law).

A small tree with flowers in large white-pubescent open panicles, the many slender bracteoles conspicuous.

# 8. Hymenodictyon, Wall.

Trees or shrubs with thick branches and bitter bark. Leaves petioled, deciduous; stipules interpetiolar, deciduous. Flowers small, in racemes or spikes in axillary or terminal panicles, with 1-2 large leafy reticulate persistent bracts; bracteoles linear or small or 0, deciduous. Calyx-tube short; lobes 5 or 6, small, deciduous. Corolla-tube slender, expanding in a campanulate 5-lobed limb; lobes valvate. Stamens 5, on the corolla limb; filaments short; anthers lanceolate, sagittate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous, on placentas adnate to the septum; style long, slender; stigma capitate. Fruit a loculicidally 2-valved capsule, the placentas at length free. Seeds many, imbricating upwards; testa reticulate with reticulate wings bifid below; albumen fleshy; cotyledons ovate; radicle cylindric.

1. Hymenodictyon excelsum, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 35; W. & A. 392.

H. obovatum, Wt. Ic. t. 80, not of Wall.

N. Circars and Deccan, in deciduous forest; W. Gháts, in deciduous forests in Malabar and Travancore up to 1,500 ft.

A large deciduous tree with pale green flowers, large soft leaves and conspicuous reticulate bracts, the capsule valves persisting when leafless. Bark grey, soft; wood white when cut fresh, otherwise brownish-grey, not much used. Vern. Hind. Bhaulan; Ur. Bodoka; Tel. Dudippa; Tam. Vellei kadamu; Mal. Itthilei.

2. HYMENODICTYON OBOVATUM, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 36; W. & A. 392;

Wt. Ic. t. 1159; Bedd. Fl. t. 219.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Mysore to Travancore, in deci-

duous forests up to 4,000 ft.

A small or medium-sized tree with obovate, long-petioled leaves and white flowers, the capsules erect. Wood brownish-grey, soft.

Vern. Mar. Kadwa-sirid.

Various species of *Cinchona* obtained from seed imported from S. America, are grown in Government and private plantations in the Nilgiri Hills in order to supply India with quinine. The chief species grown are C. officinalis, Hook., C. Calisaya, Wedd. and its var. Ledgeriana, and C. succirubra, Pavon.

#### 9. Dentella, Forst.

A small prostrate herb. Leaves small; stipules connate, scarious. Flowers white, minute, solitary, axillary and in the forks of the dichotomous branches, sessile or pedicelled. Calyx-tube globose; limb tubular, 5-lobed, persistent. Corolla funnel-shaped, hairy within; lobes 5, 2—3-toothed. Stamens 5, in the middle of the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many, on hemispheric placentas; style short; stigmas filiform. Fruit small, dry, globose, indehiscent, 2-celled. Seeds many, minute, angular; testa puncticulate.

DENTELLA REPENS, Forst.; F. B. I. iii. 42; W. & A. 405.

All plains Districts, in moist places, especially rice-fields.

A slender prostrate rooting herb with dichotomous branches.

# 10. Argostemma, Wall.

Small delicate herbs. Leaves usually membranous, in pairs or false whorls, the pairs often unequal; stipules interpetiolar, entire or wanting. Flowers white, in peduncled cymes or umbels. Calyx-tube short; lobes usually 5. Corolla rotate, 4—5-partite, valvate. Stamens

4—5, inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers long, curved, at first connivent, dehiscing by terminal pores. Ovary 2-celled; ovules very many, on swollen placentas on the middle of the septum; style filiform; stigma capitellate. Fruit a 2-celled capsule, dehiscing at the apex or by an operculum. Seeds minute, angled or compressed; testa granulate or reticulate; embryo minute.

1. Argostemma Courtallense, Arn; F. B. I. iii. 42; Wt. Ic. t. 1160. W. Gháts, up to 3,000 ft. on rocks in shady places.

A small herb about 3-6 in. high, with broad leaves often up to 2.5 in. in diam.

2. Argostemma verticillatum, Wall.; Pl. As. Rar. t. 185; F. B. I. iii. 43.

W. Gháts, in the Anamalai Hills (Beddome).

A small delicate herb with narrow leaves up to 1.5 in. long, .5 in. broad.

#### 11. Neurocalyx, Hook.

Low herbs with rather short stems. Leaves membranous, entire or toothed, reticulate, crowded at the ends of the stems; stipules large, usually bifid. Flowers rather large, pale purple, in short axillary pendulous racemes; bracts simple or divided. Calyx-tube globose; lobes 5, broad, membranous, reticulate. Corolla rotate without tube; lobes 5, valvate, narrower than the calyx-lobes. Stamens 5; filaments very short; anthers connate in a conical tube, dehiscing inwards. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many, on peltate placentas; style filiform; stigma capitellate. Fruit coriaceous or fleshy, bursting irregularly. Seeds many, globose; testa muriculate; embryo small.

NEUROCALYX WIGHTH, Arn; F. B. I. iii. 47. N. Hookeriana, Wt. Ic. t. 52.

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W. Gháts, from S. Canara southwards, in moist places in ever-green forests at about 3,000 ft.

An almost woody-stemmed herb with crowded oblanceolate leaves 6—9 in. long, the flowers pale purple.

# 12. Oldenlandia, Plum.

Shrubs undershrubs or herbs, usually dichotomously branched. Leaves opposite, rarely ternately whorled; stipules interpetiolar, free or connate with the petioles, often pectinately or pinnatifidly fringed. Flowers white or pink, sometimes blue, in axillary or terminal, often paniculate, cymes, rarely solitary. Calyx-teeth 4, rarely 5, persistent. Corolla rotate campanulate or funnel-shaped; lobes 4, rarely 5, valvate. Stamens 4 or 5, in the throat of the corolla-tube, included or exserted. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous, on placentas attached to the septum; style filiform; stigmas 2, linear. Fruit a capsule, membranous or chartaceous, dehiscing septicidally, the cells splitting ventrally, or loculicidally in the upper part, or sometimes indehiscent. Seeds usually many,

in cavities on the rounded placentas, smooth or angular; testa usually reticulate or pitted; albumen fleshy.

Capsule indehiscent or late dehiscent or the crown only dehiscing loculicidally:-

Flowers in sessile or subsessile axillary cymes:—

Capsule indehiscent, hard, globose; leaves ovate to lanceolate, variable in length, prominently nerved; stipules short, membranous, hispid, with few 

Capsule dehiscent at the top only:-

Capsule hard, crustaceous, ovoid; leaves lanceolate or ovate-lanceolate, rigid, midrib prominent, nerves indistinct; stipules with many long hair-like trinerved from the base; stipules very small with few slender processes; Flowers sessile, axillary or in terminal few-flowered heads; capsule crustaceous, globose, late dehiscent; leaves linear-subulate, aristate; stipules truncate with Capsule dehiscent septicidally, the 2 cocci dehiscing ventrally:-

Erect shrubs or undershrubs:-

Cymes in terminal panicles:-Stipules triangular-ovate, the margins glandular, at any rate when young:-Stipules glabrous, very glandular; calyx-lobes acute, short, recurved, villous; capsule ovoid; leaves lanceolate acuminate up to 4 in. long, the Stipules pubescent with few narrow pectinate teeth or glabrous and glandular; calyx-lobes less obtuse, glabrous, yellow, erect; capsule subcylindrical; leaves ovate or ovate-lanceolate, up to 3 in. long, main nerves Stipules rounded, the margins simply pectinate, not usually glandular:-

Stipule-teeth elongate, subulate; foliage yellowish:—
Leaves coriaceous, sessile, narrowly lanceolate, the margins recurved, about 1 in. long, with closely-set thick nerves; capsule obovoid, glabrous; stipules nearly glabrous; flower-panicles large with long peduncles

Leaves thin, petioled, ovate-lanceolate, margins not recurved, up to 3 in. long, with few slender nerves; capsule subglobose, grey-pubescent; stipules pubescent; flower-panicles shortly peduncled........8. pruinosa. Stipule-teeth short, subulate; stiff shrub with small very coriaceous Stipules ovate, sharply toothed, strigosely villous; stiff shrubs with coriaceous elliptic-ovate leaves up to 1.5 in. long, the margins recurved, nerves strong; flowers in short capitate cymes, very hispid 10. Beddonei.

Stipules elongate, the margins pinnatisect:-

Stipules pubescent:-Stipule-teeth few, about 5-7, long, distant; leaves ovate or ellipticlanceolate, acuminate, coriaceous, up to 4 in. long, margins recurved, usually glabrous; capsule ovoid, glabrous; calyx glabrous

Stipule-teeth many, about 9-11, short, except the end ones, close; leaves lanceolate, acuminate, membranous, about 1.5 in. long, with about 3 pairs main nerves, hirsute; calyx pubescent...12. Bourdillonii.

Stipules usually glabrous, glandular, with few filiform teeth:-Leaves sessile, thick, glabrous, ovate, acute, yellow when dry, up to 3 in. long, main nerves 3-4 pairs, stipules all glabrous; flowers in large yellowish pubescent panicles of cymes; capsule globose, pubescent

Leaves petioled, thin, glabrous, up to 7 in. long, main nerves about 8 pairs, stipules pubescent at first, then glabrous; flowers in nearly glabrous spreading panicles of cymes; capsule small, depressed-globose, Stipules, at any rate the lower ones, combined in a tubular scarious sheath,

many-toothed on the margin:-

All stipules sheathing, large, 5 in. or even more long, the teeth subulate; leaves elliptic-ovate or lanceolate, acuminate, prominently nerved and plicate, up to 3 in. long (perhaps more, as in Ceylon specimens); cymes in large panicles, the flowers large, in umbellules, scarcely pedicelled, ebracteolate, the bracts ovate; calyx-limb campanulate, 15 in. long

Cymes axillary:-

Stipules triangular, pectinately many-fringed, villous; leaves lanceolate, acuminate, up to 2 in. long by 5 in. broad, main nerves obscure, about 4 pairs; cymes slender, about 2 in. long, the calyx glabrous

Cymes sessile, the flowers fascicled:-

Stipules triangular, pectinate, with about 7 curved teeth, villous only at tip; pedicels slender, the calyx-tube hirsute, lobes linear; corollatube slender; stamens nearly sessile; leaves elliptic or lanceolate, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, with about 7—9 pairs main nerves

Stipules triangular-ovate, pectinate, with linear glandular teeth; pedicels 0, the calyx-rube short, glabrous, the lobes oblong; corolla-tube cylindric; stamens nearly sessile; leaves oblong-lanceolate, up to 5 in. long, 1.25 in. broad, with about 6 pairs of inconspicuous main nerves

Stipules orbicular, glandular on the margins and on a ring at the middle inside, when old white and scarious; leaves ovate, sessile, very coriaceous and with much thickened margins, the nerves obscure, up to 1 in. long, 5 in. broad; cymes sessile in the axils of upper leaves, 3-flowered, with minute linear bracteoles; calyx-lobes lanceolate, curved

Flowers in axillary and terminal loose corymbs; leaves ovate to linear-lanceolate, long-acuminate, long-petioled, membranous, up to 5 in. long; stipules triangular, gland-toothed and viscid; capsule globose, glabrous 27. viscida.

Capsule dehiscent loculicidally in the upper part, sometimes nearly to the base:—
Capsule terete; seeds minute, angular, testa reticulate:—

Corolla-tube usually short:

Peduncles from upper axils, umbellate, many-flowered:-

very scaprid.

Peduncles partly axillary, partly in terminal panicled cymes; pedicels

Corolla-tube slender, cylindric or funnel-shaped; erect herbs with narrow leaves and terminal cymes:—

Corolla-tube long and slender; anthers included:—
Leaves in fascicled whorls; calyx and short and broad capsules scabrous

39. aspera.

Leaves not fascicled; calyx and elongate capsules glabrous...40. gracilis. Corolla-tube rather short, slender; anthers exserted; leaves linear-lanceolate, the margins recurved:—

Flowers in long slender branching subracemose cymes; leaves glabrous
41. stricta.

Capsule 4-angled or -winged; seeds hardly angled, testa pitted:—
Branching herbs with leaves throughout, the leaves elliptic, narrowed at
the base:—

Erect small herbs with single stem 1—2 in long, followed by a whorl of rather large membranous leaves, from which come the slender long-peduncled cymes; fruit hemispheric, obscurely 4-sided.......45. nudicaulis-

I. OLDENLANDIA AURICULARIA, K. Schum. Hedyotis Auricularia, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 58; W. & A. 412; Bedd. Ic. t. 27.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country; W. Gháts and W. Coast from S. Canara southwards at low levels.

An annual, usually trailing, herb, in open places the leaves ovate and short, in shady ones lanceolate and up to 3 in. long; flowers white.

2. OLDENLANDIA NITIDA, Gamble n. comb. Hedyotis nitida, W. & A. 412; F. B. I. iii. 61. H. glabella, Bedd. Ic. t. 36.

Hills of the N. Circars; W. Gháts, at low levels from S. Canara southwards.

An annual usually prostrate herb with stiff leaves.

3. OLDENLANDIA TRINERVIA, Retz; F. B. I. iii. 66. Hedyotis trinervia, W. & A. 414; Bedd. Ic. t. 29.

E. and W. Coast, in damp places, from Madras and S. Canara. southwards.

A small annual prostrate herb.

- 4. Oldenlandia ccerulea, Gamble n. comb. Hedyotis coerulea, W. & A. 412; Bedd. Ic. t. 30.
  - E. Coast, Rambha in Ganjam, Nellore to Tanjore, on coast sands; W. Coast, in S. Canara.

An annual, stiff, erect, scabrous herb, the flowers blue.

5. Oldenlandia fruticosa, K. Schum. Hedyotis fruticosa, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 49; W. & A. 408.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore, at low levels up to 3,000 ft. An erect shrub.

6. OLDENLANDIA PURPURASCENS, O. Kze. Hedyotis purpurascens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 50. H. purpurea, Bedd. Ic. t. 5.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly.

A large erect shrub with beautiful and conspicuous purple flowers.

Var. pallida, Gamble, paler in colour with shorter ovate acuminate leaves and glabrous glandular stipules.

Sivagiri hills of Tinnevelly (Wight).

7. OLDENLANDIA ARTICULARIS, Gamble n. comb. Hedyotis articularis, Br.; F. B. I. iii. 51; W. & A. 407; Wt. Ic. t. 1028.

W. Gháts, Sholas of the Nilgiris above 6,000 ft., less common

in Anamalais, Pulneys and Palghát Hills.

A stiff shrub with coriaceous yellowish leaves and lilac flowers; the stipules are rather variable, generally rounded, but some-

times triangular elongate, but the plant is easily recognised.

8. Oldenlandia pruinosa, O. Kze.; Hedyotis pruinosa, W. & A. 408;

F. B. I. iii. 51. H. lentiginosa, Bedd. Ic. t. 6.

W. Coast, in Malabar and Travancore, along backwaters.

A shrub with yellowish-pubescent thin leaves and spreading flower panicles.

9. OLDENLANDIA BUXIFOLIA, O. Kze. Hedyotis buxifolia; Bedd. Ic. t. 1; F. B. I. iii. 52.

W. Gháts, higher ranges of the Anamalais, above 7,000 ft. A stiff shrub with small, very coriaceous leaves.

- 10. Oldenlandia Beddomei, O. Kze. Hedyotis Beddomei, Hook. f. in
  - F. B. I. iii. 52. H. capitata, Bedd. Ic. t. 191. W. Ghats, Palghat hills of Malabar, in open grassy places at
    - A stiff shrub with white-barked nodose stems, the leaves yellow 6.500 ft.
- 11. Oldenlandia stylosa, O. Kze. Hedyotis stylosa, Br.; F. B. I.
  - iii. 51; W. & A. 407; Wt. Ic. t. 1027, Spic. Neilgh. t. 93. W. Gháts, margins of Sholas and on open downs in the Nilgiris Pulneys and hills of Mysore above 5,000 ft., common. A large shrub with blue-purple or lilac-tinged white flowers.
- 12. OLDENLANDIA BOURDILLONII, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 404. W. Gháts, hills of Travancore, in scrub at 2,000-4,000 ft.
  - A small shrub reaching 4 ft. in height.
- 13. Oldenlandia swertioides, O. Kze. Hedyotis swertioides, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 51. W. Gháts, on the downs of the Pulney Hills, at high levels,
  - south to Travancore Hills. A low shrub with lilac or white flowers—"Ground Lilac (Fyson)."
- 14. Oldenlandia Eualata, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 404. Hedyotis
  - eualata, Bedd. M.S. in Herb. Kew. W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly at 4,000-5,000 ft. (Beddome); Pykara Falls in Nilgiris at 5,000 ft. (Lawson).
    - A weak shrub with small flowers in many-bracteolate panicles, the leaves large.
- 15. OLDENLANDIA LESSERTIANA, O. Kze. Hedyotis Lessertiana, Arn.;
  - F. B. I. iii. 52; Trimen Fl. Ceyl. t. 49. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Beddome).
    - A stout erect shrub with white flowers and conspicuous scarious tubular stipules, the leaves thick and plicate.
- 16. Oldenlandia anamalayana, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 67. Hedyotis Lessertiana, Bedd. Ic. t. 31, not of Arn.
  - W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Beddome) in higher ranges. A slender erect undershrub with apparently white flowers.
- 17. Oldenlandia Hirsutissima, O. Kze. Hedyotis hirsutissima, Bedd. Ic. t. 2; F. B. I. iii. 55.
  - W. Gháts, in W. Nilgiris at about 7,000 ft. A shrub with stout stems and pale lilac flowers.
- 18. Oldenlandia sisaparensis, Gamble n. comb. Hedyotis sisaparensis, Gage in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 1905, 244.
  - W. Ghats, in W. Nilgiris above Sispara at 7,000 ft. An undershrub with quadrangular branches and pale leaves.
- 19. Oldenlandia wynaadensis, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 405.
- W. Ghats, Chambra peak forests, Wynaad, 4,500-6,000 ft. (Beddome).
- A very large shrub (Beddome) with pale leaves, slightly bluish. 20. OLDENIANDIA ALBO-NERVIA, Gamble n. comb. Hedyotis albo-nervia,
  - Bedd. Ic. t. 3; F. B. I. iii. 55. W. Ghats, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore at 3,000-4,000 ft. A glabrous pale undershrub.

- 21. OLDENLANDIA VILLOSOSTIPULATA, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 405. W. Gháts, hills of Travancore.
  - A bush reaching 4 ft. in height.
- 22. Oldenlandia Ramarowii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 405. W. Gháts, at Ponmudi, hills of Travancore (M. Rama Row); at Chimunji, 4,000 ft. (Bourdillon). An undershrub with rather thick soft stems and parallel-nerved leaves.
- 23. Oldenlandia membranacea, O. Kze. Hedyotis membranacea, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 54. W. Gháts, at Kunjyar in Travancore.

A slender pale undershrub with obtusely 4-angled stems and flowers in sessile axillary whorls.

24. Oldenlandia Barberi, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 68. W. Gháts, Agastiamalai in Tinnevelly District, about 5,000 ft. (Barber).

An erect shrub with woody ringed branches, small leathery leaves closely packed at their top and prominent white stipules.

- 25. OLDENLANDIA VERTICILLARIS, O. Kze. Hedyotis verticillaris, W. & A. 409; F. B. I. iii. 56; Wt. Ic. t. 1029, Spic. Neilgh. t. 94. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, on the banks of the Pykara River at 6,000-7,000 ft. A remarkable species with a large rosette of long parallel-ribbed leaves mixed with verticillate flower scapes; flowers lilac. It is often stemless, flat on the ground, but sometimes the stem elongates, covered densely with dry stipules.
- 26. OLDENLANDIA TRAVANCORICA, O. Kze. Hedyotis travancorica, Bedd. Ic. t. 7; F. B. I. iii. 55.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly at 3,000-4,000 ft. A small undershrub with solitary flowers and white branchlets.

- 27. OLDENLANDIA VISCIDA, O. Kze. Hedyotis viscida, Bedd. Ic. t. 4; F. B. I. iii. 57.
  - W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, in the beds of mountain streams at 3,000 ft. (Beddome, Barber).

A large handsome shrub with slender branches.

28. OLDENLANDIA SCANDENS, K. Schum. Hedyotis scandens, F. B. I. iii. 57.

Travancore, without locality (Calder and Ramaswami). A North-Indian plant with thin leaves.

29. OLDENLANDIA CORYMBOSA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 64. Hedyotis Burmanniana, Br.; W. & A. 415.

In all Districts, both on dry and wet lands; a common weed. A variable annual herb, sometimes erect, sometimes, especially in wet places, prostrate and rooting; flowers white.

30. Oldenlandia diffusa, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 65. Most Districts, chiefly near the coast.

A prostrate annual herb, often rooting at the nodes.

31. Oldenlandia Herbacea, Roxb. O. Heynii, Hook. f. F. B. I. iii. 65. Hedyotis Heynii, W. & A. 416.

In most Districts, both in the plains and in hilly country. An erect bushy annual or biennial herb; flowers white.

32. Oldenlandia Crystallina, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 65. Hedyotis pumila, E. Coast, Madras to Negapatam; W. Coast, in Travancore, Linn. f.; W. & A. 414. scarce.

A prostrate annual herb. 33. Oldenlandia umbellata, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 66; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 3. Hedyotis umbellata, Lamk.; W. & A. 413.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry places, especially on coast

sands; "Chay-root."

A stiff biennial or perennial herb with lilac flowers, of considerable value, the bark of the root giving a valuable red dye. It is often cultivated. Vern. Tel. Cherivelu; Tam. Saya.

34. Oldenlandia Wightii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 66.

Deccan, on dry red soil lands.

A stiff herb much resembling the last, perhaps not really

35. Oldenlandia pusilla, Rottl. O. brachiata, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 66. Hedyotis brachiata, Wt.; W. & A. 415. Carnatic, in Trichinopoly (Wight).

A stiff, erect, bushy herb. 36. Oldenlandia dichotoma, Koen.; F. B. I. iii. 67. Hedyotis dichotoma, W. & A. 416 in part.

N. Circars and Deccan, in hilly country up to 4,500 ft., usually

on rocks. A slender, pretty, erect herb with long hair-like pedicels.

37. Oldenlandia Stocksii, Hook. f. & Th.; F. B. I. iii. 67.

Deccan, in the Bababudan hills of Mysore at 6,000 ft. (Stocks,

· A slender, much tufted annual with blue flowers, growing appa-

rently among grass, 4-8 in. high.

OLDENLANDIA PRAINIANA, Craib in Kew Bull. 1910, 278. Anotis Prainiana, Talb. in Journ. Bomb. Nat. Hist. Soc. xi, 237, t. 6. Deccan, in the Bababudan hills of Mysore (Talbot, Meebold), in dry rocks or fissures.

A small, moss-like, diffuse branching herb rooting at the nodes, with white or pinkish-white flowers and rather large pitted seeds.

39. Oldenlandia aspera, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 68. Hedyotis aspera, W. & A. 417.

Deccan, on dry stony lands in Cuddapah, Anantapur, Bellary

and Coimbatore. A stout annual herb with white flowers.

40. Oldenlandia gracilis, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 68. Hedyotis aspera, Bedd. Lc. t. 32.

Carnatic, in Tinnevelly and S. Travancore; Deccan, in Coimbatore hills at 4,000 ft.

A slender erect herb.

- OLDENLANDIA STRICTA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 68. Hedyotis maritima, W. & A. 417.
  - E. Coast, on sandy seashore lands from Nellore southwards. A tall, wiry annual herb.
- 42. Oldenlandia shuteri, Hook. f. in F. B. I. iii. 69. E. Coast, near Madras (Shuter).

  An annual erect scabrous herb.
- 43. OLDENLANDIA BIFLORA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 70. O. paniculata, Burm. f.; F. B. I. iii. 69, not of Linn. Hedyotis biflora, W. & A. 413. H. racemosa, Lam.; W. & A. 414; Wt. Ic. t. 312.

Plains Districts of the E. Coast, common; less so on W. Coast. A diffuse annual glabrous almost succulent weed with white flowers.

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- 44. OLDENLANDIA ALATA, Koen.; W. & A. 413; F. B. I. iii. 70.
  N. Circars and Carnatic (Campbell, Wight) in the plains westward to Coimbatore; W. Coast, in Travancore.
  A stout annual weed.
- 45. OLDENLANDIA NUDICAULIS, Roth; F. B. I. iii. 70. Hedyotis nudicaulis, W. & A. 416; Bedd. Ic. t. 34.

  N. Circars, in Ganiam Sál forests (Gamble): W. Cháts in

N. Circars, in Ganjam Sál forests (Gamble); W. Gháts in the Anamalais up to 2,500 ft., Wynaad, Pulneys and Travancore hills.

An annual herb much resembling Mollugo nudicaulis, found in forest undergrowth.

#### 13. Anotis, DC.

Herbs, prostrate or ascending, rarely erect, often with flaccid hairs. Leaves opposite; stipules interpetiolar, usually pectinate, and sometimes glandular. Flowers small, in axillary and terminal cymes or heads. Calyx-tube short; lobes 4, erect or recurved, with usually broad sinuses. Corolla tubular or funnel-shaped; lobes 4, valvate. Stamens 4, on the mouth of the corolla; anthers included or exserted. Ovary 2- rarely 3—4-celled; style filiform; stigmas linear; ovules usually few on placentas arising from near the base of the septum. Fruit a 2- rarely 3- or 4-celled capsule, rarely indehiscent, usually loculicidal, rarely septicidal; cells 1- or more- but usually few-seeded. Seeds peltate, boat-shaped or plano-convex; testa pitted; embryo clavate in horny albumen.

Capsule dehiscing loculicidally; seeds excavated on one face:—
Flowers in cymes:—

Cymes dense-flowered, usually strigosely villous as are the leaves:— Leaves lanceolate; corolla-tube broad, 4—5 in. long; erect herbs

Cymes loose-flowered, glabrous or sparingly hairy:—
Erect perennial herbs with terete stems; capsule not much exserted:—
Capsule subglobose, the cells 1—3-seeded; calyx-lobes triangular

Capsule broader than long, the cells 2-4-seeded; calyx-lobes lanceolate
4. lancifolia.

Capsule 2-celled:—
Leaves fleshy; calyx-lobes long and slender; capsule very little protruded
8. carnosa.

Leaves membranous; capsules much protruded, broader than long:—
Leaves ovate or lanceolate, the branchlets hispid; capsule cells 1—3-seeded
Leaves ovate or lanceolate, the branchlets hispid; capsule cells 1—6.

9. Montholoni.

1. Anotis longiflora, Hutch. in Kew Bull. 1916, 35.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills at 6,000—7,000 ft., margins of Shola forest.

An erect perennial with white (Bourne) flowers.

2. Anotis Leschenaultiana, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 72. Hedyotis Leschenaultiana, W. & A. 411; Wt. Ill. t. 125.

W. Gháts, common on the downs at 4,000-7,000 ft., usually

in wet places.

A tufted perennial with pink or blue-purple flowers and unpleasant scent, the stems rooting at the nodes.

Var. affinis, Hook. f. Hedyotis affinis, W. & A. 411; Wt. Ic. t. 1030. A plant of smaller size with villous stems and smaller often purple corymbs; very bad smelling.

Nilgiri and Pulney Hills at high elevations, common.

Var. deltoidea, Hook. f.; Hedyotis deltoidea, W. & A. 410. A still smaller form, often nearly glabrous, the leaves sometimes lanceolate and the plant slender.

Nilgiri Hills (C. B. Clarke); Pulneys (Wight, etc.).

3. Anotis decipiens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 72.

W. Gháts, Pulneys and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly. A slender perennial, rooting at the lower nodes, the upper stems erect.

4. Anotis lancifolia, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 73. W. Gháts, hills of Mysore.

5. Anoris Rheedin, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 73.
W. Coast and W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara and Mysore to Cochin and Anamalais.
A slender annual herb with filiform pedicels and quadrangular

stems.

6. Anotis calycina, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 73.
E. Gháts, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, 4,000 ft. (Fischer).
A slender annual glabrous herb.

7. Anoms quadrilocularis, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 74. Hedyotis quadrilocularis, Thw.; Bedd. Ic. t. 28.

W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 6,000 ft.; hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, rare in Nilgiris, often in rock crevices.

An erect annual, remarkable for its 3-4-celled capsule.

8. Anotis carnosa, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 74.

W. Coast, on the sea shore in S. Canara (Hohenacker, Law). A fleshy diffuse annual.

9. Anotis Montholoni, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 73.

W. Gháts, from Mysore and Canara (Law) to Malabar (de Montholon).

10. Anotis foetida, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 74.

W. Coast, on stony ground, S. Canara (Hohenacker).

A slender wiry annual with linear leaves.

11. Anotis Monosperma, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 75. Hedyotis monosperma, Wt. Ic. t. 1031.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys at about 7,000 ft., in shady places in Shola forests; Bababudan Hills of Mysore.

A much-branched slender plant with small flowers.

12. Anotis Wightiana, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 75.

W. Gháts, in the Nilgiris at 6,000—8,000 ft., in wet places.

A small, close-growing, perennial, tufted, villous herb with white, blue or purplish flowers.

#### 14. Ophiorrhiza, Linn.

Erect, creeping or decumbent small herbs, rarely undershrubs. Leaves opposite; stipules interpetiolar, caducous. Flowers white pink or greenish, secund on the branches of axillary or terminal dichotomous cymes; bracts and bracteoles various, sometimes early caducous or 0. Calyx-tube short; lobes 5, small, persistent. Corolla tubular or funnel-shaped; lobes 5, valvate, often winged at the back, sometimes with a fold in the sinus. Stamens 5, inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments slender; anthers linear. Disk of 2 large lobes, erect in fruit. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many, on basal ascending placentas; style filiform; stigmas 2, linear or flattened. Fruit a compressed obcordate coriaceous capsule, girt by the calyx limb; the crown dehiscing by two broad gaping valves; placentas divaricate, many-seeded. Seeds minute, angled; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; embryo clavate.

Bracteoles none; cymes subumbellate, minutely rusty-puberulous, spreading and flat-topped, up to 3 in. diam. in fruit; leaves elliptic or elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate at apex, long-attenuate at base, 2—6 in. long, long-petioled; stipules of 2 slender teeth with small glands between; corolla short, under 5 in. long; capsule glabrous.

Bracteoles small and deciduous:-

Erect undershrub with lanceolate, caudate-acuminate leaves 3.5-5.5 in. long; cymes lax and slender, 1—1.5 in. in diam.; capsule small, emarginate

Bracteoles linear or filiform:-

Corolla-tube short, under 25 in. long:-Glabrous except the cymes and capsules, which are slightly tawny puberulous; leaves elliptic or elliptic-ovate, membranous, pale beneath, acuminate at apex, attenuate at base into the often long petiole; stipules often bifid; erect, slender undershrub with woody stem, the bracteoles subpersistent. Brunonis.

Rusty-pubescent, especially the cymes and capsules; leaves ovate-lanceolate, pale beneath, acute or acuminate at apex, slightly attenuate at base into the often long petiole; stipules very villous; undershrubs usually rooting below and curving upwards 6. hirsutula. Corolla-tube over 1 in. long; cymes contracted; leaves membranous, elliptic-

lanceolate, acuminate:-

Glabrous except the slightly pubescent corolla-tube; bracteoles filiform, often I in. long; stipules small, lanceolate, very caducous; leaf-nerves distant, Branchlets, leaf-nerves beneath, cymes and capsule pubescent; bracteoles linear, nearly glabrous, sometimes toothed; stipules ovate-oblong, large and broad, often bind; leaf-nerves moderately close, about 8—10 pairs.

8. Roxburghiana.

Cymes conspicuously villous, including the filiform bracteoles and capsule, branchlets pubescent; stipules narrowly lanceolate, long, often bifid; leaf-

Bracteoles large and persistent, oblong- or linear-lanceolate, glabrous:—
Stipules narrowly acuminate from a broad base; cymes dense, the bracteoles oblong-lanceolate; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, long acuminate, sometimes narrow Stipules broadly ovate, acute; cymes loose, the bracteoles lanceolate-acuminate; 

1. OPHIORRHIZA MUNGOS, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 77; W. & A. 404. W. Cháts, from Wynaad to the Anamalais and the hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at low levels, in evergreen forest. A herbaceous undershrub with white flowers.

2. Ophiorrhiza Harrisiana, Heyne in W. & A. 405; F. B. I. iii. 78,

var. 1 only. O. Harrisonii, Wt. Ic. t. 1162.

M. Gháts, Bolampatti hills of Coimbatore, hills of Malabar, Tinnevelly and Travancore, in forest undergrowth, up to about 5.000 ft.

A low, soft, herbaceous plant with white or pinkish flowers, rooting from the lower nodes, the leaves usually obtuse, the

capsules generally glabrous.

3. OPHIORRHIZA PYKARENSIS, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 407. Nilgiri Hills, at Pykara Falls, 6,000 ft. (Gamble). An erect slender undershrub with small leaves and pale blue or lilac flowers.

4. OPHIORRHIZA BARBERI, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 406. W. Gháts, in the Anamalai and Travancore Hills, about 3,000 ft. (Barber, Venkoba Rao). An erect slender undershrub with lax glabrous cymes of pretty flowers.

5. OPHIORRHIZA BRUNONIS, W. & A. 404; F. B. I. iii. 79. Hedyotis Lawsoniae, Wt. Ic. t. 1026 probably.

W. Gháts, in the Nilgiri Hills above 5,000 ft., in Shola Forest undergrowth.

An erect, slender undershrub, variable, probably according to the amount of shade; flowers white or lilac.

Var. Johnsoni, Hook. f. Corolla-tube long and slender, 5—7 in. long, more villous.

Cochin, probably in the mountains (Johnson).

6. OPHIORRHIZA HIRSUTULA, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 81. O. Brunonis, W. & A. var. hirsutior, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 80.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara, Coorg and the Bababudan hills of Mysore to the Nilgiris and the hills of Travancore at 3,000—7,000 ft., in forest undergrowth; E. Gháts, Aralagudem Ghát, Vizagapatam, 3,200 ft. (A. W. Lushington). An undershrub, variable in size of leaf and length of petiole, also pubescence, probably according to the amount of shade. The S. Canara, Coorg and Mysore form is more slender and glabrous than the Nilgiri one, probably on account of a drier climate.

7. OPHIORRHIZA GRANDIFLORA, Wt. Ic. t. 1069; F. B. I. iii. 80. W. Gháts, Sivagiri and Naterikal hills of Tinnevelly. An erect undershrub with large flowers.

8. Ophiorrhiza Roxburghiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1068; F. B. I. iii. 81. W. Gháts, in the Pulney Hills (Wight), Periyar Shola (Bourne). An erect undershrub with conspicuous flowers.

9. Ophiorrhiza eriantha, Wt. Ic. t. 1067; F. B. I. iii. 81.

W. Gháts, at Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight); Travancore, at Peermerd (Beddome).

An erect undershrub, the large flowers very villous. 10. Ophiorrhiza pectinata, Arn.; F. B. I. iii. 81.

W. Gháts, in Malabar, Anamalais, Tinnevelly and Travancore, at about 3,000 ft.

An erect undershrub, the leaves sometimes quite narrow. 11. Ophiorrhiza codyensis, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919, 406.

Coorg, at Sampaji Ghát (Bourne).

An erect undershrub, the lower nodes sometimes rooting.

# 15. Mussaenda, Linn.

Shrubs or undershrubs, rarely herbs, erect or climbing. Leaves opposite or ternately whorled; stipules solitary or in pairs between the petioles. Flowers fairly large, in terminal cymes; bracts and bracteoles deciduous. Calyx-tube oblong or turbinate; lobes 5, usually deciduous, one lobe often transformed into a large petioled white or coloured leaf. Corolla tubular, funnel-shaped above, villous in the throat; lobes 5, valvate, usually apiculate. Stamens 5 on the throat of the corollatube or in the tube; filaments short; anthers linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous, on peltate fleshy placentas; style filiform, stigmas 2, linear. Fruit a fleshy berry, areolate on the top, many-seeded. Seeds minute; testa pitted; embryo minute, in fleshy albumen.

Calyx-lobes equal, not enlarged and leaf-like; branchlets and leaves beneath densely softly white-tomentose; stipules of 2 subulate teeth ·3 in. long from a

broad short base; corolla-tube 8-1 in. long, the limb 1 in. in diam.; berry One calyx-lobe often much enlarged and leaf-like:

Branchlets nearly glabrous except at nodes; leaves glabrous above, minutely villous only on nerves beneath, the nerves conspicuous, the transverse nervules parallel; stipules 2 in long, shortly bifurcated near the top; corolla-tube above 1 in. long, the limb 5-6 in. in diam; berry obovoid, 4-5 in. long, glabrous

Branchlets and leaves softly hairy:—
Inflorescence very lax; leaves loosely pubescent beneath, broadly ovate, abruptly acuminate at apex, the transverse nervules not prominently parallel; stipules about 3 in. long, bifurcated about half-way down, the teeth curved outwards; corolla-tube above 1 in. long, the limb up to 75 in. broad; berry Inflorescence dense; leaves densely softly white-tomentose beneath, ovate, acuminate at apex, the transverse nervules obscure; stipules 2-25 in. long with two erect teeth on a broad base, not curved; corolla-tube about 1 in. long, the limb about 5 in in diam.; berry globose, 4 in in diam., sparsely Branchlets and leaves roughly hirsute-pilose; inflorescence close, corolla-tube over 1 in. long, the limb ·7—9 in. broad; stipules ·3—4 in. long, bifurcated nearly to the base into slender spreading teeth; leaves elliptic-ovate, acuminate, usually more or less rounded at base, strigosely villous; berry globose, 5 in. 

1. Mussaenda tomentosa, Wt.; F. B. I. iii. 88; W. & A. 394. Carnatic, Gingee Hills of S. Arcot, among rocks in shade (Wight); W. Gháts, at Kannikatti, Tinnevelly, 2,500 ft. (Barber). Apparently a straggling shrub with white flowers turning vellowish.

2. Mussaenda glabrata, Hutch. in Herb. Kew. M. frondosa var. glabrata, Hook. f. in F. B. I. iii. 90. M. frondosa vars. γ, δ, W.

& A. 394; W. Ill. t. 124.

W. Gháts, in S. Canara, Malabar and the Tinnevelly Hills. A climbing shrub, nearly glabrous, with orange flowers and very lax inflorescence, the long calyx-lobes conspicuous.

3. Mussaenda laxa, Hutch. in Herb. Kew. M. frondosa var. laxa,

Hook. f. in F. B. I. iii. 89.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, at low levels from S. Canara to Travancore, inland from Mysore to Tinnevelly up to 3,000 ft.

A climbing shrub with lax inflorescence.

4. Mussaenda frondosa, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 89, vars. 1 zeylanica and 2 ingrata, Hook. f. only. M. frondosa var. a, W. & A. 393. S. Carnatic (probably, but no locality given, Wight), type in A straggling shrub with dense inflorescence and red flowers.

5. Mussaenda Hirsutissima, Hutch. in Herb. Kew. M. frondosa var. hirsutissima, Hook. f. in F. B. I. iii. 90 in part. M. frondosa var. β, W. & A. 394.

W. Ghats from Mysore through Nilgiris and Pulneys to Tinnevelly and Travancore at about 4,000-6,000 ft., common in Nilgiris.

A large climbing shrub with conspicuous orange flowers and white calycine leaves. The flowers are frequently distorted by insect agency.

#### 16. Acranthera, Arn.

Herbs or low undershrubs. Leaves large, membranous; stipules interpetiolar, triangular or ovate. Flowers blue, in sessile or stoutly pedunculate subterminal cymes; bracts and bracteoles persistent. Calyx-tube oblong; lobes 5. Corolla-tube tubular-funnel-shaped, hairy without; lobes 5, valvate. Stamens 5, included in the tube; filaments filiform; anthers included, cohering at their apices, usually mucronate, the connective enlarged. Ovary 1-celled or apparently 2-celled, the parietal placentas meeting in the centre; ovules many; style filiform; stigma clavate, often verrucose. Fruit an oblong or fusiform berry, many-seeded. Seeds minute; testa crustaceous, pitted; embryo clavate, in dense albumen.

- 1. ACRANTHERA GRANDIFLORA, Bedd. Ic. t. 25; F. B. I. iii. 93.
  - W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore at 3,000—5,000 ft., in moist forests.
  - A pretty herbaceous plant with erect stem apparently about 6 in. long, the flowers pale blue.
- 2. ACRANTHERA ANAMALLICA, Bedd. Ic. t. 23; F. B. I. iii. 93.
  - W. Gháts, in the Anamalai and Tinnevelly Hills at 4,000—5,000 ft., on stream banks in moist forests.
  - A low herbaceous plant with very short stem, the flowers deep blue.

# 17. Mycetia, Reinw.

Small shrubs, the stems with spongy bark. Leaves membranous, many-nerved; petioles often long; stipules large, interpetiolar. Flowers white yellow or greenish, in axillary and subterminal panicled diffuse cymes; bracts often glandular. Calyx-tube globose; lobes 4—6, persistent. Petals 4—6, connate in a tubular corolla; lobes valvate. Stamens 4—6, adnate to the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers linear-oblong. Ovary 2- or 5—6-celled; ovules many, on fleshy peltate placentas; style cylindric; stigmas 2 or 5—6, linear. Fruit a globose fleshy or leathery berry, 2- or 5—6-celled, indehiscent or loculicidally dehiscent. Seeds very many, minute, angular; testa dotted; embryo minute, in fleshy albumen.

MYCETIA ACUMINATA, O. Kze. Rev. Gen. 289. Adenosacme Lawii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 96. Lawia acuminata, Wt. Ic. t. 1070.

W. Gháts, in forest undergrowth, from Coorg (Bourne) through Nilgiris southwards, at about 3,000 ft.

A soft small shrub with large membranous leaves, yellow flowers and white berries.

# 18. Urophyllum, Wall.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves petioled, usually oblong-lanceolate and long-acuminate. Flowers small, in axillary, sessile or peduncled, heads cymes or corymbs; pedicels short, bracteolate. Calyx-tube short; limb cup-shaped, 5-lobed, persistent. Corolla-tube short, villous at the throat within; lobes 5, triangular, valvate. Stamens 5, on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers oblong, the connective sometimes produced. Disk annular. Ovary 4—7-, usually 5-celled; ovules numerous, on axile placentas; style short; stigma entire or 4—7-lobed. Fruit a small many-seeded berry. Seeds minuten. subglobose; testa crustaceous, pitted; embryo clavate, in fleshy albumen.

UROPHYLLUM ZEYLANICUM, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 98. Axanthes ceylanica,

Wt. Ic. t. 1163.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Beddome). A shrub with narrow, elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate leaves and orange-yellow berries.

#### 19. Chomelia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, the young parts often resinous. Leaves petioled; stipules interpetiolar, triangular-ovate. Flowers white, in terminal corymbose cymes, sessile or pedicelled; bracteoles 2 under the calyx, or if the flowers are pedicelled on the pedicel. Calyx-tube ovoid or turbinate; limb short with 5 lobes. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped or cylindric, lobes 5, twisted and overlapping to the left in bud, spreading in flower or reflexed. Stamens 5, adnate to the mouth of the corolla-tube; filaments short or 0; anthers narrow, linear, the connective produced in an apiculus. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell; style stout, often pubescent; stigma fusiform, grooved, usually far-exserted. Fruit a small globose berry; cells 2, many-seeded. Seeds plano-convex; testa granular; albumen fleshy or horny; embryo small with leafy cotyledons.

CHOMELIA ASIATICA, O. Kze. Webera corymbosa, Willd.; F. B. I. iii. 102. Stylocoryne Webera, W. & A. 401; Wt. Ic. tt. 309, 584.

Dry forests in all plains Districts, common.

A large evergreen shrub with shining leaves, turning black (like most other species) in drying. The wood is light brown, hard and close-grained. Vern. Tel. Komi; Tam. Kura.

Var. rigida. Stylocoryne rigida, Wt. Ic. t. 1064, has smaller leaves

with the nerves impressed above, and short calyx-lobes.

W. Gháts, Shola forests of the Bababudan Hills, Nilgiris, Pulneys

and Tinnevelly Hills at and over 5,000 ft.

Var. montana, Thw., has large leaves with impressed nerves, large flowers and conspicuous persistent calyx-lobes.

Shola forests of the Anamalai and Pulney Hills, above 5,500 ft.

# 20. Byrsophyllum, Hook. f.

Small trees or shrubs with stout branches, glabrous. Leaves very coriaceous; stipules large, interpetiolar, deciduous. Flowers large,

dioecious, white or rose,  $\mathcal{E}$  in few-flowered terminal corymbs,  $\mathcal{P}$  solitary or in pairs, terminal; bracteoles small, linear-lanceolate. Calyx-tube in  $\mathcal{P}$  globose; limb in both  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  truncate. Corolla coriaceous, tube long, cylindric, the throat campanulate; lobes 4—6, twisted in bud. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, in the throat of the corolla; anthers sessile, included. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous, immersed in fleshy placentas adnate to the septum; style filiform; stigma fusiform, or 2 cohering. Fruit an ovoid or globose 2-celled berry. Seeds oblong, flattened.

Byrsophyllum tetrandrum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 107; Bedd. Fl.

t. 326. Gardenia tetrandra, Bedd. Ic. t. 20.

Travancore and S. Tinnevelly mountains at 4,000-5,000 ft. (Bed-

dome, Bourdillon).

A shrub or small tree with very coriaceous shining ellipticobovate obtuse leaves, the flowers white tinged with rose, the berry about 75 in. in diam., the large stipules conspicuous before their fall.

#### 21. Randia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, armed or unarmed, the spines usually in opposite pairs, axillary to the branchlets. Leaves often with one of each pair arrested; stipules interpetiolar, short, free or connate. Flowers often dimorphic, white or yellowish, in axillary or leaf-opposed cymes, sometimes fascicled, rarely solitary. Calyx-tube ovoid or turbinate, the limb often tubular; lobes 5. Corolla-tube long or short, usually with a ring of hairs within; lobes 5, twisted to the left in bud, afterwards spreading. Stamens 5; anthers linear. Disk annular or pulvinate. Ovary 2-, rarely more-celled; ovules numerous, sunk in placentas attached to the septum; style slender; stigma fusiform, entire or bifid. Fruit a globose ovoid or ellipsoid berry, 2-celled, many-seeded. Seeds often embedded in pulp, smooth or angled; testa usually thin; albumen horny; cotyledons small.

Thorny plants:-

Berry with seeds embedded in pulp:—
Rind of the berry drying hard; the berry 1 in. in diam. or more:—

Leaves obovate, under 1.5 in. long, .75 in. broad; calyx-lobes about .2 in. long, ovate with occasional intermediate appendages; fruit globose, smooth or slightly ribbed, about .75 in. in diam.; seeds smooth.

nerves, puberulous or glabrous, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad; fruit obovoid-globose, slightly ribbed, 1—1.5 in. in diam.; seeds smooth
4. longispina.

1. Randia uliginosa, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 110; W. & A. 398; Wt. Ic. t. 397. Gardenia uliginosa, Retz; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 135.

All dry Districts in open forests, in wet places, savannah lands and on black cotton soil, in the hills up to 3,000 ft.

A small deciduous tree with fragrant white flowers. Bark reddish-brown; wood greyish-white, hard and close-grained. Vern. Hind. Pindalu; Ur. Pendra; Tel. Nallaika; Tam. Wagatta; Mal. Karei.

2. RANDIA DUMETORUM, Lamk.; F. B. I. iii. 110 in part; W. & A. 397; Wt. Ic. t. 580. Gardenia dumetorum, Retz; Roxb. Cor. Pl.

East Coast Districts, in dry evergreen forests.

A large shrub with opposite spines, white flowers turning yellow and a yellow fruit, used as a fish poison. Wood hard and close-grained. The branches are used for thornfences. Vern. Tel. Manga; Tam. Madu karei.

Var. floribunda. R. floribunda. DC.; W. & A. 398; Wt. Ic. t. 583. East Coast, from the Kistna southwards, on coast sands chiefly. A branching shrub with very small leaves, small fruit and many

white flowers, the branches used for fencing.

3. Randia Brandisii, Gamble n. comb. R. tomentosa, W. & A. 398,

not of Blume.

Western Deccan and Carnatic from Mysore and Bellary to South Travancore; W. Gháts, dry slopes of Nilgiris and Pulneys up to 4,000 ft.

A large shrub or small tree with prominently nerved tomentose leaves, very hispidly villous calyx-tube and lobes and ribbed fruit.

4. RANDIA LONGISPINA, W. & A. 398; Wt. Ic. t. 582, R. dumetorum, Lamk.; F. B. I. iii. 112, in part only.

N. Circars, in the forests of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, up to 4.000 ft.

A small tree with large thin leaves, slender branches, and yellow

apple-like fruit, used as fish poison. The spines are long in open places, small in trees under shade as in the Ganjam Sál forests. Bark grey; wood white or light brown, hard and evengrained. Vern. *Hind* Mainphal; *Ur*. Potowa.

5. Randia Candolleana, W. & A. 399; F. B. I. iii. 113.

Deccan, Kambakam Hills of Chingleput, Naggur Hills of N. Arcot, Lambton's Peak in Coimbatore.

A small tree with thin glabrous leaves and crowded sub-terminal corymbs of white flowers.

Var. corymbosa. R. corymbosa, W. & A. 399. R. deccanensis, Bedd. Ic. t. 237.

Dry Districts of the Deccan in Kistna, Kurnool, Cuddapah and

Anantapur, in open forest land.

A small tree with large stout thorns in pairs on poor soils, often unarmed, the leaves thicker, nearly orbicular and densely tawny-velvety. Bark thick, brown; wood light brown, hard and close-grained. Vern. *Tel.* Kondamanga.

6. RANDIA MALABARICA, Lamk.; F. B. I. iii. 111. Gardenia fragrans, Koen.; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 137. Griffithia fragrans, W. & A. 400;

Wt. Ic. t. 310, except fruit section.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, extending to S. Travancore and to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts, in dry evergreen scrub forests, common.

An erect thorny shrub with white scented flowers, red berry and orange seeds, largely cut to make hedges. Bark brown; wood greyish-white, hard and close-grained. Vern. Tel. Pedalli; Tam. Pudan.

7. RANDIA GARDNERI, Thw., F. B. I. iii. 112. Griffithia Gardneri, Bedd. Ic. t. 38.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of the Travancore Hills at 500—1,500 ft.

A medium-sized tree with white flowers. Bark greyish-brown; wood yellowish-brown, smooth and close-grained.

8. RANDIA RUGULOSA, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 113. Griffithia speciosa, Bedd. Ic. t. 37.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Coorg to the Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and the hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to 4,000 ft.

A large climber with pendulous branches and white flowers, the leaf nerves usually impressed above.

Var. speciosa, Hook. f. Flowers larger, on longer pedicels; leaves acute at base, the nerves more raised than impressed.

W. Nilgiris, up to 4,500 ft., Anamalai and Pulney Hills and Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly.

# 22. Gardenia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, armed or not. Leaves sometimes ternate; stipules intrapetiolar, often connate. Flowers usually white, changing to yellow, often large, terminal or axillary, solitary fascicled or cymose, sometimes dimorphic and polygamous. Calyx-tube ovoid or obconic; limb

tubular, lobed or cleft or spathaceous. Corolla-tube long or short; lobes 5, rarely more, overlapping to the left in bud, then spreading, twisted. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, adnate to the tube; anthers sessile or subsessile, linear. Ovary 1-celled; ovules numerous, 2-seriate, on 2—6 parietal placentas; style thick; stigma club-shaped or fusiform, usually 2-fid. Fruit an often large, ovoid ellipsoid or globose, coriaceous or fleshy berry with a hard endocarp polished within, sometimes splitting along the placental sutures. Seeds very many, compressed; testa thin; albumen horny; cotyledons ovate or cordate.

Fruit not or not prominently ribbed; leaves obtuse or subacute, shining, the Without spines:-

buds with a bright yellow resin:-Calyx-teeth short, ovate or lanceolate, acute; leaves under 4 in. long, obovate, sessile, nerves under 20 pairs, the transverse nervules irregular; fruit ellipsoid or oblong with 3-5 placentas; seed 1 in. long, the testa rugose, radicle short. gummifera.

Calyx-teeth long, lanceolate, acuminate; leaf-nervules parallel; radicle long:-Leaves elliptic, shortly petioled, 3—6 in. long, 2—3 in. broad; nerves 20—30-pairs; fruit ellipsoid or subglobose with 2 placentas; seed 2 in. long, 6-12 in. long, 3-9 in. broad, nerves 12-18 pairs; fruit globose with 4-5 placentas; seeds nearly 2 in. long, the testa rugose.......3. latifolia. Fruit ribbed; leaves acute, obovate, 2-4 in. long, about 10-nerved; corolla usually double ......jasminoides. Spines in pairs, strong, sometimes leaf-bearing; flowers dimorphic, the o infascicles, the Q solitary, the calyx-lobes minute in the former, longer in the latter; leaves obovate, glabrous or pubescent beneath, variable in size, nerves few, irregular; fruit large, woody, ovoid or globose, with 5-6 placentas, seeds small,

1. Gardenia gummifera, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iii. 116; W. & A. 395; Wt.

Ic. t. 576.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in deciduous forests, in dry hot localities, westwards to the foot of the Gháts, on the Malabar Coast only in dry laterite forest.

A small tree or shrub with rough twisted branches, and a yellow resin which is used in medicine. Bark greyish-brown; wood yellowish-white, hard and close-grained. Vern. Hind. Dikemáli; Ur. Gurudu; Tel. Manchi bikki; Kan. Chitta bikke.

2. GARDENIA LUCIDA, ROXD.; F. B. I. iii. 115; W. & A. 395; Wt. Ic. t. 575.

Deccan and Carnatic, in deciduous forests in all the dry

A small tree or large shrub with pretty shining parallel-nerved leaves and a yellow resin used in medicine. Bark greenish-grey, flaking off; wood yellowish-white, hard and close-grained, useful for small turned articles. Vern. Hind. Dikemáli; Tel. Yerri bikki; Tam. Kumbi.

3. GARDENIA LATIFOLIA, Ait.; F. B. I. iii. 116; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 134; W. & A. 395; Wt. Ic. t. 759. G. enneandra, Koen.; F. B. I. iii.

119; W. & A. 395; Wt. Ic. t. 574.

N. Circars and Deccan, extending to the lower hills of the Cháts, in dry deciduous forests.

A small deciduous tree with large leaves and flowers and a vellow resin. The form with 9 petals and stamens is common in the N. Circars. Bark greenish-grey, exfoliating and leaving rounded depressions; wood light yellowish-brown, close-grained, useful for turning, perhaps for engraving. Vern. Hind. Papra; Ur. Kota ranga, Jantia; Tel. Pedda bikki; Tam. Kumbay.

4. GARDENIA TURGIDA, Řoxb.; F. B. I. iii. 118; Wt. Ic. t. 579. G. montana, Roxb.; W. & A. 396.

All dry deciduous forests, especially on rocky hills and on laterite and kunkur.

A small deciduous tree with very strong spines, variable leaves and a large woody fruit. Bark smooth, bluish-grey, thick; wood white, hard and close-grained. Vern. *Hind*. Thanella; *Ur*. Bamenia; *Tel*. Yerra bikki.

Gardenia jasminoides, Ellis, is the Cape Jasmine frequently cultivated in gardens, and usually having double white, very fragrant flowers.

#### 23. Tricalysia, A. Rich.

Evergreen trees or shrubs, branchlets tetragonous or terete. Leaves petioled; stipules interpetiolar, triangular, acuminate, connate at base. Flowers small or very small, polygamo-dioecious, in axillary fascicles or short cymes; bracts and bracteoles connate. Calyx-tube short, obconic or hemispheric; limb truncate, 4—5-lobed. Corolla-tube short; lobes 4—5, twisted to the left in bud, various in size. Stamens as many as the corolla lobes; filaments long or short or even 0; anthers oblong or linear, often curved. Ovary 2-, rarely 3-celled; ovules 2—5 in each cell, on fleshy placentas attached to the septum; style short or long; stigmatic arms linear or oblong. Fruit a globose or ovoid berry, the pericarp thick, cells 2. Seeds few in each cell, compressed vertically; albumen thin, fleshy; cotyledons ovate, radicle long.

1. TRICALYSIA SPHAEROCARPA, Gamble n. Comb. Diplospora sphaero-carpa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 123.

W. Gháts; Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight).

A small tree, with smooth leaves and very small flowers.

2. TRICALYSIA APIOCARPA, Gamble n. comb. Diplospora apiocarpa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 123; Bedd. Fl. t. 223; Discospermum apiocarpum, Dalz.; Bedd. Ic. t. 40.

W. Gháts, in the Coimbatore Hills, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore at 3,000-4,000 ft.

A small tree with prominently reticulate leaves, and cream-coloured scented flowers.

#### 24. Scyphiphora, Gaertn.

A small glabrous tree, branchlets stout, swollen at the nodes. Leaves coriaceous, obovate, obtuse; stipules interpetiolar, short. Flowers small, in dense axillary shortly pedunculate cymes. Calyx-tube elongate; limb cupular, truncate, 4—5-toothed. Corolla-tube cylindric; lobes 4—5, oblong, spreading or recurved, twisted in bud. Stamens 4—5, between the corolla-lobes; anthers linear-sagittate. Disk annular. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell, on the middle of the septum; style filiform with linear branches. Fruit a subcylindric 8—10-grooved drupe with 2 crustaceous connate pyrenes. Seeds subcylindric; testa membranous; albumen scanty; cotyledons oblong.

Scypнiphora нудворнуцьаста, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iii. 125. Epithynia

malayana, Jack; W. & A. 424.

E. Coast, in mangrove forests (Wight).

A small evergreen tree resembling *Lumnitzera* and often found with it, but very scarce, and apparently only once collected.

#### 25. Knoxia, Linn.

Erect herbs or undershrubs; stems terete or obscurely angled. Leaves opposite; stipules connate with the petiole in a sheath. Flowers dimorphic, from white to pink, lilac and even purple; subsessile on the elongating branches of terminal cymes; ebracteolate. Calyx-tube ovoid; teeth 4, minute and subequal or 1 or 2 elongate, persistent. Corolla-tube long, the throat usually villous; lobes 4, valvate with inflexed tips. Stamens 4, inserted within the throat of the corolla; anthers linear, included or exserted. Ovary 2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell, pendulous; style filiform; stigma 2-lobed, included or exserted. Fruit small, of 2 semi-terete indehiscent mericarps separating from an entire or bifid persistent columella. Seeds with membranous testa; albumen fleshy; cotyledons very small; radicle superior.

Calyx-lobes equal or nearly so, one slightly longer, flowers in corymbose cymes:—
Stipules with short blade furnished with 3—5 or -more long subulate bristles:—
Stipule-bristles hirsute; ripe fruit separating vertically from the columella, the mericarps remaining connate:—

- 1. Knoxia corymbosa, Willd.; F. B. I. iii. 128; W. & A. 439; Wt. Ill. t. 128.
  - All Forest Districts, chiefly on grass lands in woodland and up to about 6,000 ft. in the hills.

An erect herb with pale lilac flowers, long narrow leaves and long stem-internodes, the whole plant very grey.

2. KNOXIA MOLLIS, W. & A. 439; F. B. I. iii. 129.
W. Gháts. in all Districts especially the NUL.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, especially the Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 5,000 ft., common.

A straggling herb, sometimes woody at base, the flowers varying from white to purple, unpleasantly scented, the leaves variable in pubescence. Fyson is correct in distinguishing two forms, a smaller roadside one and a larger one in damp sholas.

3. Knoxia Heyneana, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 129; W. & A. 440. W. Gháts, in the hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, about 4,000—5,000 ft.

An erect herb nearly quite glabrous, from a woody rootstock.

- 4. KNOXIA WIGHTIANA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 129; W. & A. 440. Deccan, hills of Cuddapah, N. Arcot and Chingleput; W. Gháts, from the Nilgiris southwards, up to about 5,000 ft. An erect herb, woody at base, the flowers pale blue, the leaves very narrow.
- KNOXIA LINEARIS, Gamble in Kew Bull., 1920, 68.
   W. Gháts, Mahendragiri Hill, Tinnevelly (K. Rangachari).
   An erect, slender, graceful, herbaceous perennial, with many stems from a woody rootstock.
- 6. KNOXIA ZEYLANICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 130; W. & A. 440.
  Wynaad (Beddome).
  An erect undershaub with white constitution

An erect undershrub with white or pinkish flowers in long slender spikes, the corolla-tube very long and slender.

# 26. Plectronia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, erect or climbing, armed or unarmed. Leaves petioled; stipules connate. Flowers in axillary fascicles or peduncled corymbose cymes, white or greenish, small. Calyx-tube short, obconic or turbinate; limb short, truncate or 4—5-lobed. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped campanulate or cylindric, usually with a ring of deflexed hairs within; lobes 4—5, valvate in bud, at length reflexed. Stamens 4—5, on the throat or mouth of the corolla; filaments short or 0. Disk rounded, cushion-like. Ovary 2-celled; ovules solitary in each cell, pendulous; style stout, sometimes with a tuft of hairs; stigma large. Fruit a didymous or subglobose drupe, one carpel sometimes suppressed; pyrenes 2, each 1-celled. Seeds oblong, pendulous; testa membranous; albumen fleshy, cotyledons short with an elongated superior radicle.

Unarmed: -

Flowers pentamerous:

Flowers in axillary peduncled cymes or umbels, corolla-tube narrow; leaves

shining on the upper surface; stipules ovate with a dorsal subulate hard

Leaves coriaceous; pyrenes prominently rugose, the pericarp thin:—
Fruit small, 25—5 in, long, globose or obcordate, compressed; leaves ovate or ovate-lanceolate or narrowly oblong-lanceolate, acuminate

Fruit large, up to 1 in. or more long, pyriform, compressed; leaves elliptic, shortly acuminate....

Leaves chartaceous, elliptic, caudate-acuminate; pyrenes rugose, the pericarp Flowers in axillary umbels, the peduncle very short or 0, the corolla-tube broad; leaves dull, coriaceous or chartaceous, elliptic-obtuse or acute; stipules ovate-lanceolate; fruit obovoid, obcordate, compressed, 25-5 in. long, pyrenes

arrested branchlets, pedicels very slender; leaves membranous, ovate, acuminate, pale beneath, up to 2 in. long; stipule points filiform; fruit flattened, orbicular, Armed, the spines supra-axillary:

Flowers pentamerous, in short few-flowered axillary fascicles or cymes, the corollatube short, broad, slightly constricted above, furnished with a curtain of stiff reflexed hairs within, lobes lanceolate; leaves from ovate-cordate to lanceolate-acuminate; fruit obcordate, compressed, about 4 in. in diam.; pyrenes rugose

Flowers tetramerous, in many-flowered axillary cymes, very small, the corolla-tube short with short reflexed hairs within, lobes ovate; leaves variable, ovate obovate or orbicular, up to 2 in. long, 1.5 in. broad but often much smaller; fruit obcor-

1. PLECTRONIA DIDYMA, Kurz. Canthium didymum, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iii. 132; W. & A. 425.

All plains Districts in dry evergreen and open forests in the low country on both sides of the Peninsula, often on river banks. A small evergreen tree, the leaves variable in size and shape but always shining, flowers in cymes, fruit usually globose. Bark dark grey, smooth; wood light brown, hard and close-grained. Vern. Ur. Dhalasingha; Tel. Nalla balasu; Tam. Irambaratthán.

Var. umbellata, Gamble. P. Wightii, K. Schum. Canthium umbellatum, Wt. Ic. t. 1034; F. B. I. iii. 132. C. didymum, Bedd. Fl.

Most Districts, in forest country in hilly regions up to 6,000 ft. A larger evergreen tree with larger and thicker, broader leaves, flowers in umbels on thick peduncles, fruit larger and obovoid. Wood pale yellow, strong and tough (Bourdillon). Vern. Tam. Nallamanthanam; Mar. Arsul.

Var. lanceolata, Thw. Canthium lanceolatum, Arn. Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight, Barber).

Leaves narrowly oblong-lanceolate acuminate, up to 5 in. long, 1.25 in. broad; flowers in fewer-flowered umbels, perhaps a

2. PLECTRONIA FICIFORMIS, Gamble n. comb. Canthium ficiforme, Hook, f.; F. B. I. iii. 133.

W. Shats, Pulney Hills (Bourne) and Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight) at fairly high elevations.

An evergreen tree, like the preceding, but with elliptic leaves, umbels often compound and very large fruit.

3. PLECTRONIA PERGRACILIS, Gamble, n. comb. Canthium pergracile, Bourd. in Journ. Bomb. Nat. Hist. Soc. xii. 352, t. 4.

Evergreen forests of Travancore near Colatoorpolay at about

500 ft. (Bourdillon).

A graceful, tall, straight-stemmed tree with greenish-yellow flowers. Bark light brown, rough; wood pale brown, moderately hard. Vern. *Mal.* Palaga.

4. PLECTRONIA NEILGHERRENSIS, Bedd. Canthium neilgherrense, Wt. Ic. t. 1064 bis; F. B. I. iii. 133, var. 1; Bedd. Fl. t. 221a (fruit).

W. Gháts, Sholas of W. Nilgiris about Sispara; forests of the Travancore and Tinnevelly Hills at 4,000—6,000 ft.

An evergreen shrub or small tree with coriaceous glabrous leaves, obtusely acute or obtuse at apex, the margins often recurved.

Var. chartacea, Gamble. Canthium neilgherrense, Wt.; F. B. I.

iii. 133, var. 2.

W. Gháts, Coonoor and Longwood Sholas of E. Nilgiris; Sholas of the Pulney Hills at 5,000—7,000 ft.

A small tree with chartaceous acute leaves, hirsute beneath.

5. PLECTRONIA TRAVANCORICA, Bedd. Ic. t. 239. Canthium travancoricum, Hook. f. in F. B. I. iii. 134.

W. Gháts, in the Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinne-

velly.

A medium-sized tree with thin, long-petioled leaves and white flowers.

6. PLECTRONIA RHEEDII, Bedd. Canthium Rheedii, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 134; W. & A. 426.

W. Coast and W. Gháts from S. Canara southwards up to about 4.000 fr.

A scandent thorny straggling shrub with greenish-white flowers, the branchlets and leaves beneath usually hirsute.

Var. angustifolia, Gamble. Canthium angustifolium, Roxb.; F. B.

I. iii. 135. C. Leschenaultii, W. & A. 426; Wt. Ic. t. 826.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, especially in the south, up to 5,000 ft. Leaves lanceolate, long-acuminate, glabrous and shining, occasionally very narrow.

7. PLECTRONIA PARVIFLORA, Bedd. Canthium parviflorum, Lamk.; F. B. I. iii. 136; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 51; W. & A. 426.

All dry plains Districts, in scrub forest, especially on laterite and

near the coast, very common.

A thorny shrub with small white flowers, the leaves variable, small and with many thorns in very dry places, larger in moister ones. Bark grey, wood grey, hard. The stems and branches are largely used for dry fences. Vern. Tel. Balasu; Mar. Kirna; Tam. Karay cheddi.

## 27. Vangueria, Juss.

Erect shrubs or small trees, armed or unarmed. Leaves petioled; stipules connate. Flowers small, white or greenish, in axillary fascicles or peduncled cymes or in lateral panicles below the leaves. Calyx-tube

short, turbinate or globose; limb spreading; lobes 4—6, sometimes more. Corolla-tube cylindric or globose, with a ring of silky deflexed hairs within; lobes 4—6, lanceolate, acute, at length reflexed. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, filaments short or 0; anthers oblong. Ovary 3—6- but usually 5-celled; ovules solitary in each cell, pendulous; style thick; stigma large, capitate, ridged. Fruit a dry or fleshy drupe, with 3—5 pyrenes, the apex areolate. Seeds in each pyrene solitary; testa membranous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons small with an elongated superior radicle.

Vangueria spinosa, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 136; W. & A. 421 (in note). Most plains Districts, but occasional and scarce.

A small thorny tree or large shrub, the fruit small.

V. edulis, Vahl, a native of Madagascar, with rather large edible fruit, larger leaves and flowers in panicles of racemes, is sometimes found in gardens in Madras and elsewhere.

# 28. Octotropis, Bedd.

Glabrous shrubs or small trees, branches slender. Leaves shortly petioled, elliptic-lanceolate, caudate-acuminate, membranous; stipules interpetiolar, triangular-ovate, acuminate. Flowers in axillary or supra-axillary pedunculate corymbs, pedicels slender; bracts and bracteoles minute. Calyx-tube short, turbinate; limb 4-toothed. Corolla-tube campanulate, villous within; lobes 4, ovate, overlapping to left. Stamens 4, linear, apiculate, sagittate at base, sessile. Ovary 1-celled; ovules 1 or 2, pendulous; style stout, ribbed; stigma bifid. Fruit an ellipsoid berry with fleshy pericarp. Seed ovoid, pendulous; testa membranous; albumen horny; cotyledons small, foliaceous.

OCTOTROPIS TRAVANCORICA, Bedd. Fl. t. 327; F. B. I. iii. 131.

W. Gháts, from the Wynaad to the hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at 3,000—5,000 ft., in moist evergreen forest.

A pretty shrub or small tree reaching 10-15 ft. in height, with white flowers and a single-seeded berry.

### 29. Ixora, Linn.

Shrubs or small trees. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate, usually thick; stipules interpetiolar. Flowers usually 4- (rarely 5-) merous, in terminal, trichotomously branched, often corymbose cymes; bracts usually leaf-like, coriaceous; bracteoles 2. Calyx-tube ovoid; limb short, 4-, rarely 5-lobed, the lobes persistent. Corolla hypocrateriform; tube long, slender; lobes 4 (rarely 5), twisted in bud, spreading or reflexed in flower. Stamens 4 (rarely 5) on the mouth of the corolla; filaments short or 0; anthers slender, 2-fid at base, mucronate at tip. Ovary 2-celled, ovules solitary in each cell, peltately attached to the septum; style filiform; stigma fusiform, slender, 2-branched, the branches rasely connate. Fruit globose or didymous with 2 planoconvex or ventrally concave coriaceous pyrenes. Seeds peltate, often 1 only, the others undeveloped, testa membranous; albumen horny; embryo curved, the cotyledons thin, the radicle stout and long, inferior.

monticola,

Calyx-lobes manifestly longer than the tube:-

Calvx-lobes broad, oblong-lanceolate, 15-25 in. long; corymbs dense and compact:-

Branches of the inflorescence densely clothed with white hairs; corymbs about 5 in. broad, subsessile; bracteoles oblong-lanceolate, about 2 in. long; corollatube slender, 1 in. long; leaves large, elliptic obovate or oblanceolate, up to 12 in. long, 5 in. broad, abruptly acuminate, the nerves distant...l. polyantha. Branches of the inflorescence glabrous; corymbs about 3 in. broad, short-peduncled; bracteoles linear; corolla-tube 75—1 in. long; leaves obovate or 

Calvx-lobes lanceolate or linear-lanceolate, 075—15 in. long, the margins usually incurved:-

Calvx-lobes glabrous:-

Corymbs lax:-

Leaves lanceolate, broadest near the nearly obtuse base, up to 6 in. long, ·75—1·25 in. broad, the nerves stout, nearly at right angles to the midrib, prominently looped; corolla-tube up to .75 in. long, lobes .35 in. long; Leaves elliptic-ovate or -oblong, broadest at the middle, acute or acuminate, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, the nerves slender at about 60° with the midrib, looped; corolla-tube up to 6 in. long, the lobes scarcely shorter; bracteoles subulate, narrower than the calyx-lobes...........4. leucantha. Corymbs dense:-

Leaves coriaceous, elliptic-obovate, obtusely acute at apex, attenuate or rounded at base, shining above, the midrib and nerves strong, up to 8 in. Leaves submembranous, elliptic-obovate, acute and mucronate at apex, broadly attenuate at base, dull above, the nerves thin, impressed above, up to 8 in. long, 3.5 in. broad; corymbs sessile, dense; corolla-tube 75 

Calyx-lobes hirsute; corymbs rather lax with short peduncles; leaves coriaceous elliptic or elliptic ovate, scabrous pubescent beneath, up to 6 in long by 2.5 in broad, the nerves prominent; corolla-tube 5 in long, the lobes reflexed 

Calyx-lobes linear, 15 in. long, ciliate, as are the linear bracteoles; corymbs shortly peduncled, densely congested; corolla-tube 3—5 in. long; leaves coriaceous, variable, from elliptic-ovate to oblong-lanceolate, usually rounded at base, 

Calvx-lobes about equal to the tube:-Calyx-tube and lobes pubescent:-

Peduncles 4—7 in. long, the cymes brachiate, the corymbs densely congested; corolla-tube 5 in. long, lobes reflexed, covered with spreading hairs; leaves large, chartaceous, elliptic-obovate or -oblanceolate with regular parallel nerves 9. elongata.

Peduncles short or 0:-Peduncles about 5 in. long, the branches long and slender and again divided to end in spreading corymbs; corolla-tube 5-1 in long, lobes glabrous; leaves large, lanceolate or oblanceolate, acuminate, up to 6 in. long, 2-5 in. Peduncles 0, the 3 branches slender, 5 in. long, ending in small dense corymbs; corolla-tube about 35 in. long, the lobes reflexed puberulous; leaves small, oblanceolate, acuminate, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad, pubescent

beneath......11. Calyx-tube and lobes glabrous; leaves undulate on the margins:-Corolla-tube 1-1.5 in. long, the cymes sessile, dense; leaves oblong-oblanceo-Corolla-tube ·25—·35 in. long, the cymes peduncled, brachiate, lax; leaves elliptic or elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, up to 6 in. or even more long, 2 in. 

Calyx-lobes minute, manifestly much shorter than the tube:-

1. IXORA POLYANTHA, Wt. Ic. t. 1066; F. B. I. iii. 140. I. corymbosa, Heyne; W. & A. 430.

W. Coast, in S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore.

A large and handsome shrub with (apparently) white flowers and a yellowish-red fruit about '4 in. in diam.

2. Ixora Finlaysoniana, Wall. ex G. Don Gen. Syst. iii. 572.

Mysore, at Bangalore (Cameron), said to be wild, but this is doubtful; gardens in Madras and elsewhere in the East, native country doubtful.

A shrub with white flowers and large membranous calyx-lobes.

3. IXORA LANCEOLARIA, Colebr.; F. B. I. iii. 198; W. & A. 429, var. α; Wt. Ic. t. 827.

Hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, in evergreen forests. An erect shrub with narrow leaves, the white flowers in lax corymbs.

 Ixora Leucantha, Heyne. I. lanceolaria, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 138 in part; W. & A. var. β.

Hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore.

A pretty shrub with white flowers in lax, rather few-flowered corymbs.

Var. malabarica, Gamble. Leaves longer, more oblong, long-acuminate, corymbs often brachiate.

West Coast, South Canara to Travancore.

Ixora Notoniana, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 139; W. & A. 1311.
 W. Gháts, in the hills of Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, in Shola forests at 3,000—6,000 ft.
 A small tree with red flowers. Bark brown, rough; wood reddish-brown, hard and close-grained. Vern. Tam. Kalilambili; Mal. Iramburippi.

6. IXORA JOHNSONI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 139.

W. Coast, Cochin (Johnson), Travancore (Calder and Ramaswami).

A small tree or large shrub, apparently scarce.

7. Ixora Saulierei, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 247. W. Gháts, in the Pulney Hills.

Apparently a small tree with thick leaves, scabrous-pubescent

8. Ixora Lawsoni, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 247.

Wynaad, at Manantoddy, 3,000 ft. (Lawson); Coorg (Wight). A small tree with very congested villous inflorescence and linear

9. Ixora elongata, Heyne; F. B. I. iii. 141; W. & A. 430.

W. Gháts, from Ś. Canara to the Wynaad and Atapadi Hills of Malabar, at about 2,000 ft.

A shrub with pink flowers and long-peduncled inflorescence, the fruits large, black when dry.

10. Ixora cuneifolia, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 144; W. & A. 428; Wt. Ic.

W. Gháts, in Wynaad and the Atamalai and Anamalai Hills of Coimbatore, about 3,000 ft.

A shrub with pubescent calyx and white or pink (?) flowers.

11. Ixora MONTICOLA, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 247.

W. Gháts, "High Wavy Mountain," in Madura District, at 4,000-5,500 ft. (Blatter and Hallberg).

A shrub with pinkish flowers, remarkable for its small leaves

12. IXORA THWAITESII, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 138.

Forests of Malabar (Beddome).

A narrow-leaved shrub, the corolla-tube very long and slender.

13. IXORA UNDULATA, ROXb.; F. B. I. iii. 147; W. & A. 428; Wt. Ic.

E. Gháts, Madgol Hills of Vizagapatam, at 3,400 ft. (A. W. Lushington); Simhachellam Hill (Cleghorn).

A shrub with thin undulate leaves and rather small white

14. Ixora nigricans, Br.; F. B. I. iii. 148; W. & A. 428; Wt. Ic. t. 318. W. Gháts, in evergreen forests, up to about 5,000 ft., common. A large shrub or small tree with white flowers.

15. IXORA COCCINEA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 145; W. & A. 427; Wt. Ic.

t. 153. I. Bandhuca, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 149.

W. Coast, in forest lands at low elevations near the sea; cultivated in gardens everywhere.

A large shrub with brilliant scarlet flowers, sometimes yellow or pink. Vern. Tam. Thetti, Vedchi.

16. Ixora Brachiata, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 142; W. & A. 429; Wt. Ic.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara to Travancore, at low elevations. A small tree with white, scented flowers.

17. Ixora parviflora, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 142; W. & A. 429; Wt. Ic. t. 711; Bedd. Fl. t. 222.

Deciduous forests and dry evergreen forest in almost all Districts, under 1,000-2,000 ft. The Torch Tree. A small evergreen tree or large shrub with white flowers. Bark

dark brown; wood light reddish-brown, smooth, close-grained. The green branches are said to be used for torches. Vern. *Hind.* Kota gandhal; *Ur.* Kilakerwa; *Tel.* Kori, Gorivi; *Tam.* Shulundu, Korivi; *Kan.* Korgi; *Mar.* Lokandi.

#### 30. Pavetta, Linn.

Shrubs or small trees. Leaves opposite, petioled, usually thin; stipules intrapetiolar, usually connate in a loose deciduous sheath. Flowers in terminal or axillary trichotomously-branched corymbose cymes; bracteoles small. Calyx-limb turbinate or campanulate; lobes 4 (rarely 5). Corolla hypocrateriform; tube slender, cylindric; lobes 4 (rarely 5), twisted in bud, spreading in flower. Stamens 4 (rarely 5), on the mouth of the corolla; filaments short or long, or 0; anthers linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovules solitary in each cell, attached to the septum on a fleshy placenta; style long, much exserted, slender; stigma fusiform, usually undivided. Fruit a small fleshy berry with 2 ventrally concave pyrenes. Seeds conform to the pyrenes; testa membranous; albumen horny; embryo small, curved, with small foliaceous cotyledons; radicle inferior.

1. PAVETTA INDICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 150; W. & A. 431; Wt. Ic. t. 148. All forest Districts, in the undergrowth of deciduous forests and usually in ravines, up to 3,000 ft. in the hills.

A small tree or large shrub with pretty white flowers and very variable leaves.

Var. tomentosa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 150. P. tomentosa, Roxb.; W. & A. 431. P. Brunonis, Wt. Ic. t. 1065. Leaves beneath and inflorescence softly tomentose, otherwise similar.

All forest Districts equally with the above.

Var. montana, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 150. Leaves elliptic, obtuse or obtusely acute, corolla-tube short.

Kollimalai Hills, Trichinopoly (K. Rungachari).

Var. minor, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 150. Leaves lanceolate or narrowly obovate, the inflorescence fewer-flowered.

Hills of Madura and Tinnevelly up to 3,000 ft.

2. PAVETTA HISPIDULA, W. & A. 431; F. B. I. iii. 151.

W. Gháts, in evergreen forests from S. Canara southwards, up to about 3,000 ft.

A narrow-leaved shrub with yellowish long-tubed flowers and prominent long styles.

3. PAVETTA ZEYLANICA, Gamble. Pavetta hispidula var. zeylanica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 151.

W. Gháts, in Wynaad, the Atapadi Hills of Malabar and hills of Tinnevelly, up to 3,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A large shrub with oblong leaves and long-tubed flowers with prominent styles.

4. PAVETTA BREVIFLORA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 151; Wt. Ic. t. 1035.

W. Gháts, in the Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, in Shola forests above 5,000 ft., in undergrowth; Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,500 ft.? (Gamble).

A pretty shrub with white flowers and thin leaves. Bark greyish-white; wood white, hard and close-grained. As noted by Wight, the calyx-lobes, usually glabrous, are sometimes ciliate.

Var. subcoriacea, Gamble. Leaves much thicker, also the calyx-lobes, and the tube of the corolla longer. Here, too, the calyx-lobes are sometimes ciliate.

Hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests above 4,000 ft., Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 6,000 ft. (Meebold).

5. PAVETTA BRUNONIS, Wall; F. B. I. iii. 152.

W. Gháts, N. and W. slopes of Nilgiris at 5,000—6,000 ft. A softly-tomentose shrub.

6. PAVETTA WIGHTH, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 152.

W. Gháts, E. side of Nilgiri Hills at about 4,000—6,000 ft. A shrub with rather large obovate leaves, prominently glandular.

#### 31. Stylocoryne, W. & A.

Trees or shrubs, unarmed. Leaves petioled, usually black when dry; stipules interpetiolar. Flowers white or greenish, in terminal cymose corymbs. Calyx-tube turbinate, 5-toothed. Corolla-tube cylindric, limb hypocrateriform with 5 imbricate lobes. Stamens 5, inserted on the mouth of the corolla-tube; anthers linear, exserted. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 1 or 2 in each cell, sunk in a fleshy axilely attached placenta; style slender, often hairy; stigma fusiform. Fruit a glabrous 2-celled berry, 1—2-seeded. Seed rounded, albumen fleshy, cotyledons small, foliaceous.

Tube of corolla equal to or longer than the lobes, 5-8 in. long, thick; leaves oblanceolate, acuminate, 6-12 in. long, 2-3.5 in. broad, the nerves distant, Tube of corolla longer than the lobes, I in. long or more, slender; leaves oblanceolate, caudate-acuminate, 4—9 in. long, 1·5—2·5 in. broad, the nerves rather close, olive-green when dry; cymes and calyx-tube pubescent...4. nilagirica.

1. Stylocoryne monosperma, W. & A. 401; Wt. Ic. t. 317. Webera monosperma, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 103.

W. Gháts, about Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight): Travancore Hills, at 2,000 ft. (Lawson).

A shrub with large leaves and white fleshy berry.

2. STYLOCORYNE LUCENS, Gamble n. comb. Webera lucens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 106. Coffea alpestris, Wt. Ic. t. 1040, Spic. Neilgh. t. 100. C. grumelioides, Wt. Ic. t. 1041, Spic. Neilgh. t. 101. W. Gháts, Shola forests of the Kundahs in Nilgiris, above

7,000 ft.; hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore.

A bushy shrub with shining leaves, the flowers white. 3. STYLOCORYNE CANARICA, Gamble n. comb. Webera canarica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 106.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests from S. Canara to Tinnevelly and Travancore, at moderate elevations.

A handsome shrub with large flowers and leaves.

4. STYLOCORYNE NILAGIRICA, Gamble n. comb. Webera nilagirica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 107.

W. Gháts, in Sholas from W. Nilgiris to Travancore; Atapadi Hills of Malabar, at 3,000 ft. A shrub with long-tubed flowers.

# 32. Coffea, Linn.

Shrubs. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate; stipules broad, interpetiolar. Flowers in axillary fascicles or cymes or solitary; bracteoles connate in a single or double calyculus, often glandular within. Calyxtube short; limb short, turbinate, often glandular within, lobes 4-5 or irregularly many-toothed. Corolla-tube short or long; lobes 4-5, twisted in bud, then spreading. Stamens 4-5; filaments short or 0; anthers linear, attached to the throat of the corolla-tube. Ovary 2celled; ovules solitary in each cell, peltate on the septum; style slender, bifid at apex, the lobes linear. Fruit a small drupe with 2 plano-convex or ventrally concave cartilaginous or bony pyrenes. Seeds concave or grooved ventrally, the testa membranous; albumen horny; embryo short, sub-basal; cotyledons cordate, thin; radicle thick, inferior.

Corolla-tube long, slender; lobes 5; fruit usually didymous:-Leaves large, shining, ovate-oblong; flowers appearing with the leaves; corollatube short, the lobes longer than the tube; fruit obovoid, 5 in. long... I. arabica. Leaves usually dull and small; corolla salver-shaped, the tube long and slender: Flowers appearing before the leaves; calyx-limb many-toothed and usually

red glandular; stipules spinescent, pyrenes cartilaginous:

Leaves membranous, elliptic, acuminate at apex and base, 3 in long or longer; fruit ovoid-oblong or obovoid, sub-didymous, 4 in long

Leaves subcoriaceous, ovate, 5-15 in. long; fruit didymous, 25 in. long, -35 in. broad.....  Flowers appearing with the leaves; calyx-limb entire or toothed, often redglandular; stipules shortly pointed; fruit obovoid, 35 in. long, the pyrenes bony; leaves membranous, lanceolate, acuminate, up to 4 in. long

1. Coffea Arabica, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 153; W. & A. 435; Wt. Ic. t. 53.
Cultivated and often found run wild in the hills of the W. Gháts. The Coffee plant.

A large shrub with white flowers, formerly much cultivated, less so at present, since a fungoid disease ruined many plantations.

- COFFEA BENGALENSIS, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 153; W. & A. 435.
   E. Gháts, hills of Ganjam (Barber).
   A shrub with slender branches and fragrant white flowers.
- 3. COFFEA WIGHTIANA, W. & A. 436; F. B. I. iii. 154; Wt. Ic. t. 1598. Deccan and Carnatic, near the E. foot of the Gháts, on dry lands.

A branching almost thorny shrub with pale divaricate branches and white flowers.

4. Coffea travancorensis, W. & A. 345; F. B. I. iii. 154; Trim. Fl. Ceyl. t. 53; Hook. Bot. Mag. 6749.

W. Gháts, in Malabar and Travancore, in forest undergrowth, up to 3,000 ft., the flowers white and sweet-scented.

A slender undershrub with thin leaves and white flowers.

5. Coffea crassifolia, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 248.

W. Gháts, in the Anamalai Hills and hills of Travancore, at about 4,500 ft.

A stiff shrub with thick branches and leaves and very small greenish flowers.

Coffea liberica, Hiern, the Liberian coffee, is often planted, and has in some places replaced the Arabian plant.

# 33. Psychotria, Linn.

Small trees or shrubs, rarely herbs, erect or rarely climbing. Leaves opposite, rarely whorled, often pitted in the nerve-axils; stipules intrapetiolar, often connate, solitary or in pairs, often with glandular hairs within. Flowers in terminal, rarely axillary, cymes heads or fascicles, bracteate and bracteolate or not. Calyx-limb short, lobes usually small, usually persistent in fruit. Corolla-tube short, straight, usually with a ring of hairs within; lobes 5, rarely 4 or 6, valvate in bud. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, inserted on the throat or mouth of the corolla; anthers oblong or linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovules solitary in each cell, basal, erect; style short, with 2 stigmatic branches. Fruit ovoid, globose or oblong, with two plano-convex pyrenes, each 1-seeded, the pyrenes smooth or furrowed. Seeds plano-convex, often furrowed, the face usually flat; testa thin; albumen ruminate or not; cotyledons leafy, small; radicle inferior.

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Pyrenes plano-convex, usually dorsally smooth, ventrally flat, albumen ruminate:-Flowers mixed with rufous hairs; stipules with long hairs within:-

Inflorescence globular-capitate, pedunculate; calyx-lobes broadly obovate ciliate; leaves oblong-oblanceolate, abruptly acute, up to 6 in. long by 1.5-2 in. broad, with 12-18 pairs of scarcely prominent nerves, olive-green when Branches of inflorescence whorled, the end ones capitate, calyx-lobes triangular; leaves obovate or oblanceolate, abruptly acuminate, up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, with 12-15 pairs of prominent nerves looped near the margin, greenish Branches of inflorescence opposite, the end ones cymose, calyx-lobes minute; leaves obovate or oblanceolate, abruptly acuminate, up to 5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, with about 8-10 pairs of prominent looped nerves, yellowish when dry 3. Johnsoni.

Flowers not mixed with rufous hairs:-Branches of inflorescence whorled:

Nerves of the obovate leaves strong and parallel:-

Bracts and bracteoles large and persistent, calyx-tube broadly campanulate, the lobes obtuse and emarginate; leaves coriaceous, large, obtuse, with 12-20 pairs of strong nerves, up to 10 in. long, 3.5 in. broad...4. Dalzellii.

Bracts and bracteoles none or very early deciduous:— Leaves rather small, under 5 in. long, about 1.5 in. broad, cuneate at base, rounded and then acute at apex, nerves 8-12 pairs, stipules ovate, densely woolly within; calyx-teeth rounded or acute, ciliate; cymes Leaves large, up to 8 in. long, 4 in. broad, cuneate at base, rounded and very shortly apiculate at apex, nerves 10-14 pairs, regularly curved, stipules large, oblong; calyx-limb truncate; cymes spreading, 

Nerves of the oblanceolate or oblong leaves parallel but weak:-Leaf-nerves close, 3 in apart on midrib, the leaves dark when dry and wrinkled, much cuneate at base, acute at apex; corolla-tube long, cylindric, glabrous within, calyx-limb truncate; fruit moderate-sized, globose
7. nudiflora.

Leaf-nerves distant, 5 in. or more apart on midrib, the leaves olive-green when dry, slightly cuneate at base, obtuse or obtusely acute at apex; 

Branches of inflorescence opposite: -

Inflorescence spreading, corymbiform: -

Leaf-nerves many, rather close, up to 5 in. apart on midrib, parallel, the leaves elliptic-oblong, coriaceous, acute at apex short-petioled; all the cyme branches spreading; the ultimate branchlets cymose......9. flavida. Leaf-nerves few, distant, over 5 in. apart on midrib, irregular; the leaves elliptic-lanceolate, membranous, obtusely acute, or obtuse at apex, longpetioled; lower pair of cyme-branches long-spreading, ultimate branchlets Inflorescence elongate, racemiform, the branches short; leaves obovate or oblanceolate, cuneate at base, the 10-20 pairs of nerves parallel, about 3-4 in. apart on the midrib; calyx-lobes short; fruit globose, 25 in. in 

Pyrenes plano-convex, smooth or furrowed on the back, albumen not ruminate:-Pyrenes with two furrows on the back:-

Bracts and bracteoles conspicuous, persistent and connate, lanceolate, acuminate; cymes large, terminal and axillary, spreading, corymbose, the flowers small; leaves coriaceous, shining, oblanceolate, acuminate, up to 7 in. long. Bracts and bracteoles inconspicuous or 0:-

Leaves short-petioled, obovate, cuneate at base, 2-5 in. long, 1-2 in. broad, Leaves very long-petioled, oblanceolate, much narrowed at base, 8-10 in.

Pyrenes with 4 furrows on the back:-

1. PSYCHOTRIA GLOBICEPHALA, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 249. W. Gháts, hills of Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight).

A shrub conspicuous for its globose flower-heads and longish

leaves.

2. PSYCHOTRIA THWAITESH, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 162. Grumilea nigra, Gaertn. Fruct. 138, t. 28.?.

W. Gháts, especially in the Anamalais and the hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, up to 5,000 ft., in damp forests.

A glabrous shrub with greenish flowers.

3. PSYCHOTRIA JOHNSONI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 175.

W. Coast, in Malabar and Cochin extending inland to the Atamalai hills of Coimbatore and Sispara Ghát in Nilgiris to about 5,000 ft.

A glabrous shrub.

4. PSYCHOTRIA DALZELLII, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 163. P. bracteata, W. & A. 434, not of DC.

W. Coast, in S. Canara, Malabar and Cochin.

A stout glabrous shrub, the fruit '4 in. long crowned by the calyx-teeth, the bracts prominent, as are the stipules.

5. PSYCHOTRIA CONGESTA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 162. Grumilea congesta W. & A 432: Wt. Ic. t. 1037

gesta, W. & A. 432; Wt. Ic. t. 1037.

W. Gháts, in Sholas of the Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 7,000 ft., common on Doddabetta.

A large shrub or small tree with purplish-black fruit and greenish-white flowers. Bark light brown, smooth; wood white and close-grained.

Var. astephana, Hook. f. Cymes less crowded and longer peduncled.

Pulney Hills, with the common form.

6. Psychotria truncata, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 163; W. & A. 433.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara and the Bababudan Hills of Mysore southwards to the Nilgiris and the Atamalai Sholas of Coimbatore, at 4,000—6,000 ft.

A large and handsome shrub with waxy-white corolla and black fruits.

- 7. PSYCHOTRIA NUDIFLORA, W. & A. 434; F. B. I. iii. 175.
  W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, about 4,000—6,000 ft., common about Courtallum.
  A large glabrous shrub.
- 8. PSYCHOTRIA MACROCARPA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 162.
  W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, about 2,000—4,000 ft.
  A large shrub with pale branchlets.
- 9. Psychotria flavida, Talbot Trees and Shrubs Bomb. ed. 1, 113. W. Gháts, and W. Coast from S. Canara to Travancore. A small shrub, the cyme branches turning yellow in fruit.
- PSYCHOTRIA SUBINTEGRA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 162. Grumilea subinteger, W. & A. 432.
   W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly.
   A large shrub, the cyme rhachis arrested above the lowest pair of branches.
- PSYCHOTRIA ELONGATA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 163. Grumilea elongata, Wt. Ic. t. 1036.
   W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, about 4,000—7,000 ft., in Shola forests.
   A large shrub, the pits in the perve-axils of the leaves are
  - A large shrub, the pits in the nerve-axils of the leaves very conspicuous, the stipules sheathing, the flowers greenish. Bark brown, thin; wood reddish-white, close-grained.
- 12. PSYCHOTRIA CONNATA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 171; W. & A. 433. P. laevigata, W. & A. 433; Wt. Ic. t. 828.
  W. Gháts hills of Travencers and Travencers.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, about 4,000—6,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A glabrous shrub, the pyrenes with 2 deep furrows.

13. PSYCHOTRIA BISULCATA, W. & A. 434; F. B. I. iii. 171; Wt. Ic. t. 1039; Trimen Fl. Ceyl. t. 54.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Sholas, above 4,000 ft., common.
A large shrub with greenish flowers and purplish-black fruit.
Bark light brown, corky; wood grey, moderately hard.

- 14. Psychotria anamallayana, Bedd. Ic. t. 236; F. B. I. iii. 171. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills and hills of Travancore, at 3,000—4,500 ft., generally on river banks.

  A small tree with white flowers and purple fruit.
- 15. PSYCHOTRIA SARMENTOSA, Bl.; F. B. I. iii. 165; Wt. Ic. t. 1038. W. Coast, in Malabar, apparently scarce; W. Gháts. A climbing and rooting plant with white fleshy fruit; the ribs and furrows only showing when dry.
- PSYCHOTRIA BARBERI, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 248.
   W-Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Barber), Travancore Hills at 4,500 ft. (Venkoba Row).
   A shrub, the leaves black when dry.

17. PSYCHOTRIA FULVA, Ham.; F. B. I. iii. 169.

E. Gháts, Gudem and Gomanji in the hills of Vizagapatam, to 4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington).

A large shrub with large membranous rusty-pubescent leaves

and yellowish flowers on pedunculate cymes.

Var. madraspatana. P. madraspatana, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 167. A stouter plant with larger leaves and flowers in sessile heads (Herb. Madras in Wall. Coll. 8366).

E. Gháts, Onjeri in the Vizagapatam Hills at 3,800 ft. (A. W.

Lushington).

18. Psychotria octosulcata, Talbot in Journ. Bomb. Nat. Hist. Soc. xi. 237, t. 7.

W. Gháts, Maliyamadurgam, Coimbatore, 4,000 ft. (Fischer), Kotagiri Ghát in Nilgiris, 2,300 ft. (Fischer).

An erect shrub with pale leaves, white flowers and black fruit.

#### 34. Chasalia, Comm.

Shrubs or small trees; branchlets terete. Leaves opposite or ternately whorled, petiolate; stipules intrapetiolar, usually bifid. Flowers in terminal cymes; bracts and bracteoles small. Calyx-tube ovoid or subglobose, lobes 5, short. Corolla-tube elongate, slender and usually curved; lobes 5, short, valvate. Stamens 5, inserted in the corolla-tube; anthers long; filaments short or 0. Disk large, annular or tumid. Ovary 2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell, erect; style long, with 2 stigmatic lobes. Fruit dry or slightly fleshy, of 2 pyrenes, ventrally grooved, dorsally rounded. Seeds orbicular, rounded on the back, ventrally very concave; testa membranous; albumen horny; cotyledons broad; radicle terete, inferior.

CHASALIA CURVIFLORA, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 176. Psychotria curviflora, Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. Ed. Carey & Wall. ii. 167. Psychotria ambigua, W. & A. 433; Wt. Ill. t. 127.

E. Gháts, hills of Vizagapatam at about 3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests up to 5,000 ft., common.

A small shrub with membranous leaves very variable in size and shape, but usually elliptic-lanceolate or -oblanceolate, acuminate at apex, much narrowed at base to a long slender petiole; flowers pinkish-white; fruit purplish-black.

# 35. Geophila, D. Don.

Small, slender, perennial herbs, creeping and rooting. Leaves long-petioled; stipules interpetiolar, entire. Flowers small, solitary or umbelled, subsessile or on axillary or terminal peduncles; bracts subulate, linear or leafy. Calyx-tube obovoid; limb short, 5—7-lobed, the lobes persistent. Corolla elongate, funnel-shaped, the throat hairy; lobes 5—7, spreading or recurved, valvate. Stamens 4—7, inserted on the corollatube; filaments filiform; anthers linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell, erect; style slender, with 2 stigmatic branches. Fruit a fleshy drupe with 2 plano-convex pyrenes; testa membranous; albumen horny; embryo minute; radicle inferior.

Geophila reniformis, D. Don; F. B. I. iii. 178; W. & A. 436; Wt. Ic. t. 54.

W. Gháts, in most Districts, about 2,000—5,000 ft., not common. Leaves small, orbicular, cordate, on long petioles; fruit scarlet when ripe.

## 36. Fergusonia, Hook. f.

A slender prostrate herb, the stems rooting from the lower nodes; branchlets acutely 4-angled, the nodes ciliate. Leaves subsessile, lanceolate, scabrous, 1-nerved; stipules connate with the petioles, lanceolate, bristly-ciliate, persistent. Flowers small, axillary, shortly pedicelled; bracteoles 2. Calyx-tube campanulate; lobes 4, erect, lanceolate, bristly-ciliate, persistent. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped, usually villous at the throat within; lobes 4, ovate, acute, valvate, the tips ciliate. Stamens 4, inserted between the corolla-lobes; filaments short; anthers linear-oblong. Ovary 4-celled, ovule 1 in each cell, erect; style filiform with 2 stigmatic lobes. Fruit of 4 separable cocci, each crowned by 1 calyx-lobe. Seeds oblong; albumen fleshy; cotyledons ovate, small; radicle inferior.

FERGUSONIA TETRACOCCA, Baill. F. zeylanica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 48. Borreria tetracocca, Thw.; Bedd. Ic. t. 39.

W. Gháts, in Coorg (Beddome); S. Canara (Barber); Travancore (K. Rangachari).

A scabrous herb, in appearance like Oldenlandia nitida.

# 37. Lasianthus, Jack.

Shrubs, often bad-smelling; branchlets terete, compressed at the nodes. Leaves distichous, shortly petioled, with arching nerves, the last pair often to the apex, and usually closely-set transverse nervules; stipules interpetiolar, usually broad. Flowers small, in axillary, rarely peduncled, often bracteate, clustered cymes or heads. Calyx-tube subglobose, ovoid or oblong; limb short or long; lobes 3—7, valvate in bud, or 0. Corolla funnel- or salver-shaped, the throat villous; lobes 3—7, valvate. Stamens on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers oblong, often apiculate, included. Ovary 4—9-celled; ovules solitary in each cell, erect; style short or long, with 3—9 short, obtuse, stigmatic lobes. Fruit a drupe of 4—9 pyrenes; pyrenes triquetrous, crustaceous or bony, usually rugose. Seeds narrow; testa membranous; albumen fleshy; embryo oblong, curved, with short obtuse cotyledons and slender inferior radicle.

Cymes sessile, with minute or no bracts:-

Calyx-teeth minute, obtuse, slightly puberulous only; branchlets glabrous; leaves petioled, small, obovate, abruptly acuminate and mucronate at apex, acute at base, 1·5—2 in. long, '6—1 in. broad, nerves 3—4 pairs, prominent, arching, transverse nervules horizontal, very many, forked, indistinct

5. parvifolius. Calyx-limb truncate; branchlets pubescent; leaves lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, mucronate at apex, 5—6 in. long, 1—1-5 in. broad, nerves 7—10 pairs, transverse nervules horizontal, prominent, parallel, about 12 per inches

Calyx-limb and -teeth hairy:-

Leaves and branchlets glabrous or nearly so, transverse nervules horizontal,

very many and close:-

Leaves and branchlets more or less pubescent:-

Leaves beneath and branchlets hirsute with spreading hairs:

Cymes peduncled:—

Cymes with short peduncles, the transverse nervules reticulate:—
Calyx-lobes erect, subulate, hirsute, 2—25 in. long; leaves variable, elliptic ovate or oblong, acute acuminate or apiculate at apex, rounded at base, 1—45 in. long, 1—2 in. broad, nerves spreading, nervules much reticulate

- 1. Lasianthus Jackianus, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 180; Bedd. Ic. t. 12. W. Gháts, in W. Nilgiris, Wynaad and Atapadi Valley in Malabar, Bolumpatti Valley in Coimbatore, at 3,000—5,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

  An evergreen shrub, covered with bulbous-based strigose hairs.
- 2. Lasianthus oblongifolius, Bedd. Ic. t. 11; F. B. I. iii. 183. W. Gháts, Papanasham Hills of Tinnevelly, at 3,000—4,000 ft. An evergreen shrub, the leaves very characteristic with prominent nervules.
- LASIANTHUS BLUMEANUS, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 184; Bedd. Ic. t. 22.
   W. Gháts, Courtallum in Tinnevelly Hills at 3,500 ft., in evergreen forest.
   An evergreen shrub, the calyx-lobes conspicuous.
- 4. Lasianthus obovatus, Bedd. Ic. t. 10; F. B. I. iii. 186. W. Gháts, Atraimalai Hills of Travancore at 5,000 ft. (Beddome). A much-branched, compact, small-leaved shrub.
- LASIANTHUS PARVIFOLIUS, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 186.
   W. Gháts, in the Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly about 4,000 ft.
   A slender glabrous shrub with small shining leaves and few nerves.
- Lasianthus truncatus, Bedd. Ic. t. 9; F. B. I. iii. 189.
   E. Gháts, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. (Beddome), hills of Vizagapatam, 3,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington).
   A shrub with narrow leaves and subsolitary long flowers.
- 7. Lasianthus acuminatus, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 185 in part.
  W. Gháts, in the Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 3,000—6,000 ft., in evergreen Sholas.
  A slender shrub with shining leaves.
- 8. Lasianthus coffeoides, Fyson in Kew Bull. 1914, 185.
  W. Gháts, in the Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore at 6,000—7,000 ft. in Shola forests.
  A single-stemmed erect shrub with horizontal branches spreading like those of the coffee-plant. Very similar to the next
- Lasianthus stricillosus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 185.
   W. Gháts, Courtallum Hills of Tinnevelly.
   A shrub with stiff leaves and well-marked nerves.
- 10. Lasianthus ciliatus, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 184.
  W. Gháts, Sholas about Sispara in W. Nilgiris at 5,000—6,000 ft.
  A stout shrub with tawny brown rusty tomentum and prominent leaf-nerves.
- 11. Lasianthus Rostratus, Wight. L. ciliatus var. rostratus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 185.
  - W. Gháts, hills of Madura, Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 4,000

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  - A large shrub with soft brown tawny pubescence, the leaves very long, acuminate.

- LASIANTHUS DICHOTOMUS, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 191; Bedd. Ic. t. 13.
   W. Gháts, Sivagiri and Courtallum Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight, Beddome).
   A nearly glabrous shrub.
- LASIANTHUS CINEREUS, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 249.
   W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly at Naterikal and Kalivayalpil (Barber, Rangachari).
   A shrub, cinereous pubescent, and with elongate branchlets, the leaves few-nerved.
- 14. Lasianthus venulosus, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 190; Wt. Ic. t. 1032. Santia venulosa, W. & A. 422.
  W. Gháts, in the upper Shola Forests of Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 6,000 ft., in underwood, common.
  A large much-branching shrub with yellowish flowers and blue fruits, the leaves reticulate. Bark light brown, rough with corky protuberances; wood grey, close-grained.
- 15. Lasianthus capitulatus, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 191.
  W. Gháts, Brumagiri Hills of Mysore, Atamalai Hills of Coimbatore (Fischer), Nilgiris, especially about Sispara on West and Lamb's rock on East, in underwood of Shola forests at 4,000—6,000 ft., Pulney Hills (Bourne).
  A large shrub, perhaps the largest S. Indian species, the leaves variable in shape and coriaceous.

#### 38. Saprosma, Blume.

Shrubs, usually glabrous, bad-smelling when bruised. Leaves opposite or 3—4-whorled, sessile or petioled; stipules interpetiolar, connate, with stiff bristles on the margin, deciduous. Flowers axillary or terminal, solitary fascicled or in cymes; bracts and bracteoles minute, often connate. Calyx-tube obconic; limb dilated, 4—6-lobed, persistent. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped or campanulate, the throat villous; lobes 4—5, broad, obtuse, valvate with inflexed flat or crisped margins. Stamens 4—5, in the corolla-throat; filaments short or 0; anthers oblong. Fruit a drupe with 1—2 thin crustaceous pyrenes. Seeds erect, plano-convex, smooth; testa membranous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons small, foliaceous; radicle elongate, truncate, inferior.

1. Saprosma indicum, Dalz.; F. B. I. iii. 192. Serissa glomerata, Bedd. Ic, t. 16.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara to Travancore, at 2,000-4,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A shrub, 3-4 ft. high, with white flowers and blue drupe.

- 2. Saprosma fragrans, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 193. Serissa fragrans, Bedd. Ic. t. 14.
  - W. Gháts, in W. Nilgiris, Malabar and Tinnevelly Hills, at 2.000—4.000 ft.

A shrub, 10-12 ft. high, with white fragrant flowers; badsmelling when crushed.

3. Saprosma Ceylanicum, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 193. Serissa Wightii, Bedd. Ic. t. 15.

W. Gháts, in the Nilgiris, Anamalais and Tinnevelly Hills, above 3,000 ft., in underwood of Shola forest.

A shrub, 8-12 ft. high, bad-smelling when bruised, with purplish flowers and deep blue drupe.

4. Saprosma corymbosum, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 194. Serissa corymbosa, Bedd. Ic. t. 17.

W. Gháts, in evergreen forests of the Tinnevelly and Travancore Hills, at 2,500—4,000 ft.

A shrub with white flowers, the fruit so far unknown.

#### 39. Hamiltonia, Roxb.

Erect shrubs with trichotomous branchlets, bad-smelling when bruised. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate, petioled; stipules intrapetiolar, short, acute, often glandular. persistent. Flowers in broad terminal trichotomously branched panicles or subumbellate cymes, fragrant; bracts lanceolate; bracteoles subulate. Calyx-tube ovoid; limb persistent with 4-5 subulate often glandular lobes. Corolla funnel-shaped; tube elongate; lobes 5, valvate. Stamens 5, adnate to the throat of the corolla; filaments short, subulate; anthers obovate-oblong, obtuse. Ovary 5-celled, the septa soon disappearing; ovule 1 in each cell, erect; style filiform with 5 linear stigmatic arms. Fruit a 1-celled capsule, 5-valved at top. Seeds 5 or less, 3-cornered; testa reticulate, splitting into 3-4 segments; cotyledons cordate, induplicate; radicle terete, inferior.

HAMILTONIA SUAVEOLENS, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 197. H. mysorensis, W. & A. 423. Spermadictyon suaveolens, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 236. N. Circars and Deccan, in dry forests, south to Mysore, up to

4,500 ft.

A large shrub with white or blue flowers and rather large glabrous or pubescent leaves, up to 1 ft. in length. Bark grey, peeling off in papery flakes; wood dark grey, soft.

# 40. Morinda, Linn.

Erect or climbing shrubs or trees; branchlets terete or obscurely 4-gonous. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate; stipules connate. sheathing. Flowers in axillary or terminal, simple panicled or umbellate heads, the calices more or less coherent; bracts 0. Calyx-tube urceolate or hemispheric; limb short, truncate or occasionally with one large leafy

bract-like lobe. Corolla-tube more or less funnel-shaped, short or long; lobes 4 or 5, occasionally more, valvate in bud. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers linear or oblong. Ovary 2- or spuriously 4-celled; ovules solitary, ascending from near the base of the septum; style slender, with 2 stigmatic branches. Fruit a syncarpium formed by the succulent enlarged calices, showing many more or less 4-sided pyramidal sections each with 4 cartilaginous or bony pyrenes, rarely of nearly free drupes; the pyrenes often with an empty ventral cavity. Seeds oblong or obovoid; testa membranous, sometimes produced below in a reticulate wing; albumen fleshy or horny; cotyledons small; radicle long, inferior.

Trees or shrubs, erect; corolla-tube elongate:-

Pyrenes with an empty ventral cavity; seeds winged below; fruit about 1 in. in diam:—

- 1. Morinda citrifolia, Linn; F. B. I. iii. 155; W. & A. 419. M. bracteata, Roxb.; W. & A. 419; Wt. Ill. t. 126.
  - N. Circars, in coast forests; W. Coast, in coast forests from S. Canara to Travancore; sometimes cultivated.
  - A small tree with white flowers and large fleshy fruit. The roots give a red dye from the wood. Bark yellowish-white. Vern. Hind. Al, Ak; Ur. Achu; Tam. Nuna; Mal. Manjanatthi.
- 2. Morinda angustifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 237; F. B. I. iii. 156. N. Circars, Vizianagram (J. Campbell); Nallamalai Hills of Kurnool (Barber).
- A small tree with thicker leaves, prominently nerved.

  3. Morinda tinctoria, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 156; W. & A. 419. M. exserta, Roxb.; W. & A. 419. M. citrifolia, Bedd. Fl. t. 220, not of Linn.
  - S. Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore in dry forests, westwards to the E. slopes of the Gháts, at low levels.
  - A moderate-sized deciduous tree. Vern. Tel. Togari, Maddi; Tam. Nuna.

Var. tomentosa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 156. M. tomentosa, Heyne; W. & A. 426. Leaves tomentose on both surfaces, larger and broader; corolla-tube more slender.

N. Circars and N. Deccan in dry forests, the common Northern

A moderate-sized deciduous tree. Bark corky, brown or grey; wood red or yellow, moderately hard. The root gives a red or yellow dye. Vern. Ur. Achu; Tel. Maddi.

Var. stenophylla, Gamble. M. stenophylla, Spr.; W. & A. 420. Leaves narrowly linear-oblong, tomentose, up to 6 in. long by 1 in. broad; stipules variable, sometimes long. Chittoor and Tinnevelly (Beddome).

4. Morinda umbellata, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 157; W. & A. 420. E. Gháts, Madgol Hills of Vizagapatam at 4,000-5,000 ft.: Deccan, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput, Horsleykonda in Chittoor at 4,000 ft., hills of N. Coimbatore; W. Gháts, in all Districts, up to 5,000 ft.

A diffuse, climbing shrub, with rather variable, usually membranous leaves and flowers in many-branched terminal umbels,

the fruits occasionally separate.

5. Morinda reticulata, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 248. W. Gháts, hills of Travancore at about 2,000 ft. (Bourdillon, Rama Row).

A climbing shrub with coriaceous shining reticulate leaves.

## 41. Prismatomeris, Thw.

Shrubs, the branchlets compressed tetragonous. Leaves lanceolate, petiolate; stipules interpetiolar, cuspidate. Flowers white, in axillary few-flowered fascicles or cymes, pedicels usually long. Calyx-limb cupshaped, teeth 4-5, short. Corolla-tube cylindric; lobes 4-5, spreading, valvate in bud. Stamens 4-5, in the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers linear, included. Ovary 2-celled, 1 ovule in each cell, the ovule pendulous, attached above the middle of the septum; style linear; stigmas 2, spreading. Fruit a small fleshy 1-2-celled, 1-2-seeded berry with 2 pyrenes. Seeds hemispheric, ventrally excavated; testa membranous; cotyledons small, reniform; radicle inferior.

PRISMATOMERIS ALBIDIFLORA, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 159; Bedd. Ic. t. 93 (but corolla-lobes not imbricate).

Travancore, in evergreen forests at low elevations (Bourdillon). A fragrant shrub with pretty white flowers and dark blue fruits.

# 42. Hydrophylax, Linn. f.

Succulent creeping herbs with rooting stems. Leaves sessile, ovate or obovate, often recurved; stipules connate with the petioles in an entire or toothed sheath. Flowers solitary, axillary, shortly pedicelled. Calyx-tube 4-angled; lobes 4, ovate-lanceolate, persistent. Corolla subfleshy, funnel-shaped, with a ring of hairs within; lobes 4, ovate, valvate. Stamens 4, exserted, on the throat of the corolla; filaments slender; anthers linear. Ovary 2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell, peltately attached to the septum; style filiform; stigma obscurely 2-lobed. Fruit large, corky, compressed, acutely keeled, 1—2-celled, 2-seeded. Seeds linear oblong, dorsally convex, ventrally 2-grooved; testa granular; albumen cartilaginous; cotyledons thin, oblong; radicle terete, elongate, inferior.

Hydrophylax Maritima, Linn. f.; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 233; F. B. I. iii. 199; W. & A. 441; Wt. Ic. t. 760.

East and West Coasts, on sand-dunes.

A succulent herb with lilac flowers and corky fruit; a useful sand-binding plant.

#### 43. Borreria, G. F. W. Mey.

Annual or perennial herbs, the branches usually 4-gonous. Leaves opposite, sessile or petioled; stipules connate with the petioles in a broad truncate tube with marginal bristles. Flowers very small, in axillary or terminal fascicles; bracteoles many, of soft filiform bristles. Calyx-tube obovoid or turbinate; lobes 2—4, often with intermediate teeth or bristles. Corolla funnel-shaped or hypocrateriform; lobes 4, valvate. Stamens 4, on the throat or tube of the corolla; anthers linear or oblong. Ovary 2-celled; ovules solitary in each cell on septal placentas; style filiform with 2 short arms or stigma capitate. Fruit of 2 coriaceous or crustaceous mericarps which dehisce ventrally, the membranous septum sometimes remaining. Seed oblong, ventrally grooved; testa thin; albumen horny or fleshy; cotyledons small, foliaceous; radicle terete, inferior.

Stems erect; mericarps thinly crustaceous, dehiscing ventrally without a persistent septum:—

Slender little branched scabrid herbs with linear or lanceolate leaves...1. stricta. Branching bushy nearly glabrous herbs with ovate obovate or lanceolate leaves 2. ocymoides.

1. Borreria stricta, K. Sch. Spermacoce stricta, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iii. 200. Bigelovia lasiocarpa and Roxburghiana, W. & A. 437.

All Districts, and up to 5,000 ft. in the hills, usually in forest undergrowth, common.

An erect herb, variable in leaf, flowers white, the tube short.

2. Borreria ocymoides, DC. Spermacore ocymoides, Burm.; F. B. I. iii. 200.

All Western Districts, in the hills to about 5,000 ft.

A branching herb, sometimes difficult to distinguish from B. stricta.

3. Borreria Hispida, K. Sch. Spermacoce hispida, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 200; W. & A. 438.

All Districts, and up to about 3,000 ft. in the hills, common on the coast sands, also on all dry lands in the interior.

A hispid procumbent herb with long branches, pale mauve usually long-tubed flowers and hard fruits. Vern. Tel. Madana; Tam. Nutti choori.

#### 44. Rubia, Linn.

Herbs, erect diffuse or climbing, hispid or prickly; stems slender, 4-gonous. Leaves in whorls of 4—8, rarely opposite; stipules none. Flowers very small, in axillary and terminal cymes, bracteolate; pedicels articulate below the ovary. Calyx-tube ovoid or globose; limb 0. Corolla rotate or shortly campanulate; lobes usually five, valvate. Stamens alternate with the corolla-lobes; filaments short; anthers globose or oblong. Ovary 2-celled; ovules solitary in the cells, attached to the septum; style bifid or styles 2; stigmas capitate. Fruit small, fleshy, didymous or globose by the suppression of 1 carpel. Seed suberect, adnate to the pericarp; testa membranous; albumen horny; embryo curved, the cotyledons thin, foliaceous; radicle slender, inferior.

Rubia cordifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 202; W. & A. 442; Wt. III. t. 128, fig. 1. R. Munjista, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 187.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam to Godavari; Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country; W. Gháts, in all Districts up to 7,000 ft. Indian Madder.

A climbing, very scabrous herb with ovate cordate 5—7-ribbed long-petioled leaves, small greenish flowers and purplish fruit. The roots give a valuable dye. Vern. *Hind*. Manji't; *Tel*. Mandesti; *Tam*. Manjiti.

#### 45. Galium, Linn.

Herbs, erect or climbing; stems slender, weak, 4-gonous. Leaves 3 or more in a whorl with stipules 0, rarely opposite and stipulate. Flowers minute, in axillary or terminal cymes or panicles, white yellow or greenish, bracteolate; pedicels articulate below the ovary. Calyxtube ovoid or globose, limb 0. Corolla rotate or shortly funnel-shaped; lobes 4, rarely 3, valvate. Stamens alternate with the corolla-lobes; filaments short; anthers didymous. Ovary 2-celled; ovules solitary in the cells, attached to the septum; style short, bifid; stigmas capitate. Fruit small, dry, didymous, smooth granulate or tubercled, glabrous or pubescent, often with hooked hairs. Seed adherent to the pericarp, plano-convex, ventrally grooved; testa membranous; albumen horny; embryo curved; cotyledons thin, foliaceous; radicle elongate, inferior. Leaves 4, ovate, apiculate, soft and softly hairy; fruit with hooked hairs

1. Galium Javanicum, DC. G. rotundifolium, Linn. var. javanicum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 205. G. Requienianum, W. & A. 443; Wt. Ic. t. 1042 (except the hairs of the fruit).

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, above 6,000 ft.

A low-growing plant of grassy places.

2. Galium asperifolium, Wall.; W. & A. 442; Wt. Ill. t. 128, fig. 1. G. Mollugo, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 207, not of Linn.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, 4,500 ft.; W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 5,000 ft.

A scandent, rambling, scabrous herb.

#### Family LXXXIV. VALERIANACEAE.

Herbs, annual or perennial, or rarely shrubs. Leaves opposite, exstipulate, but often the petioles united at the base by a rim, entire pinnatifid or pinnate. Flowers sessile, cymose, sometimes polygamous or dioecious, bracteate. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; limb small, membranous, in fruit often enlarged or pappose. Corolla superior; tube equal or gibbous or spurred at the base; lobes 3—5, imbricate. Stamens 1—4, inserted on the corolla-tube, alternate with the lobes. Ovary 3-celled; cells 1-ovuled, or one 1-ovuled, the others imperfect; style filiform; stigmas 1—3, distinct or combined. Fruit dry, indehiscent, crowned with the limb of the calyx, 1-celled and 1-seeded. Seed pendulous; albumen 0 or scanty; embryo straight; cotyledons flat; radicle superior.

#### Valeriana, Linn.

Perennial herbs. Leaves entire pinnatifid or pinnate, the radical often long-petioled. Flowers in corymbosely panicled cymes; bracts small. Calyx-limb small, involute in flower, afterwards forming a deciduous pappus of many plumose bristles. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped, equal or gibbous at base; lobes 5, spreading, pink or white. Stamens 3. Ovary 3-celled, 1-ovuled; stigma shortly 2—3-fid or subentire. Fruit oblong, compressed, plano-convex, with 3 dorsal and 1 ventral rib, crowned with the plumose pappus.

Leaves simple or with sometimes one or two small leaflets below the end one, all entire or sometimes slightly sinuate on the margins, sparingly pubescent

1. Leschenaultii.

Leaves usually all pinnate:-

VALERIANA LESCHENAULTII, DC.; F. B. I. 214; W. & A. 444; Wt. Ic. t. 1044. V. Brunoniana, W. & A. 443; Wt. Ic. t. 1043.

Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft., on the downs, but usually on the margins of Shola forests.

A large perennial herb, the leaves quite simple in dry open places, slightly pinnate in moister ones. Flowers pink.

2. VALERIANA ARNOTTIANA, Wt. Ic. tt. 1045—6. V. Hardwickii, Wall., var. Arnottiana, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 213.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, at 5,000—7,000 ft.

A tall-growing plant with thin, much-cut leaves and large panicles of white flowers.

 Valeriana Hookeriana, W. & A. 444; F. B. I. iii. 214; Wt. III. t. 129.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, on the downs above 6,000 ft. A softly pubescent herb with white flowers.

Valeriana Beddomei, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 214.
 W. Gháts, Anamalai and Pulney Hills about 7,000 ft.
 A well-marked herb with many narrow leaflets.

#### Family LXXXV. DIPSACACEAE.

Perennial herbs, rarely shrubs. Leaves opposite or whorled, sometimes connate at the base, entire toothed lobed or pinnate; stipules 0. Flowers in cymes whorls or dense heads, surrounded by bracts, bracteoles often conspicuous. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary, usually constricted above it; limb cup-shaped or bristly. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped; limb 2—5-fid, equal or 2-lipped, lobes imbricate in bud. Stamens 4 or 2, on the corolla-tube; anthers exserted, linear-oblong. Ovary 1-celled; ovule 1, pendulous; style filiform; stigma capitate linear or lateral; round the ovary an involucel, often adnate to it and persistent. Fruit a dry achene, enveloped in the involucel and surmounted by the calyx-limb. Seed pendulous, albuminous; embryo straight; radicle superior.

#### Dipsacus, Linn.

Stout erect herbs, prickly or bristly. Leaves opposite, toothed or pinnatifid. Flowers in long-peduncled terminal heads, surrounded by bracts; bracteoles rigid, on the receptacle. Calyx-limb cup-shaped, 4-lobed. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped; limb 4-lobed, equal or subbilabiate. Stamens 4. Style filiform; stigma oblique or lateral. Achene surrounded by the 8-ribbed involucel; cotyledons small, obtuse.

DIPSACUS LESCHENAULTII, Coult.; F. B. I. iii. 218; Wt. III. 130; W. & A. 445.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., on the downs. A tall herbaceous plant with stout rootstock, villous pinnatifid leaves and white or yellowish flowers.

A specimen from Vantala in the Vizagapatam Hills, 4,500 ft., collected by A. W. Lushington, probably belongs to D. inermis, Wall.

# Family LXXXVI. COMPOSITAE.

Herbs or shrubs, rarely trees. Leaves alternate or opposite, simple or compound; stipules 0. Inflorescence a centripetal head of many small flowers (less commonly few, rarely 1), sessile on the dilated top of the peduncle (receptacle), enclosed in an involucre of whorled bracts; bracteoles 0, or reduced to paleate scales or bristles on the receptacle. Flowers all tubular (discoid), or the outer or all ligulate (rayed); all \(\frac{2}{3}\), or the inner \(\frac{2}{3}\) or \(\frac{2}{3}\), the outer \(\frac{2}{3}\) or neuter, sometimes monoecious or dioecious. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; limb 0 or of hairs or scales (pappus). Corolla of two forms: (i) tubular or campanulate with 4—5-lobed limb, the lobes valvate; (ii) ligulate, the lobes connate in a strap-shaped or elliptic ligule. Disk epigynous. Stamens 4—5, inserted within the corolla-tube; filaments usually free; anthers basifixed, usually connate, the connective produced upwards, the cells simple or

tailed at the base. Ovary 1-celled; ovule solitary, erect anatropous; style slender, normally 2-fid, the arms linear semi-terete, naked or pubescent, or tipped by pubescent cones, margins stigmatic. Fruit a dry indehiscent achene. Seed erect; testa membranous; albumen 0; cotyledons plano-convex; radicle short.

Series I. TUBULIFLORAE. - Flowers all tubular or the outer only ligulate. Juice usually watery:-

Tribe 1. VERNONIEAE. -Heads homogamous. Flowers all &, tubular, never yellow. Anthers cleft at the base, not tailed. Style-arms subulate, hairy. Pappus setose paleaceous or 0. Leaves usually alternate:—

Heads distinct, usually many-flowered:-

Pappus short, fugacious; outer bracts more or less leafy:-

Achenes 8—10-ribbed..... Centratherum. Pappus long, copious, usually with an outer row of short bristles or paleae

4. Vernonia. Heads few-flowered, crowded in dense bracteate clusters.....5. Elephantopus.

Tribe 2. EUPATORIEAE.—Heads homogamous. Flowers all &, tubular, rarely orange, never yellow. Anthers subentire at the base. Style arms obtuse, papillose. Pappus usually setose. Leaves opposite or alternate:—
Anthers truncate at apex; pappus usually of 3 clavate hairs...6. Adenostemma.

Anthers appendaged at apex; pappus usually of 5 paleaceous scales

7. Ageratum.

Tribe 3. ASTEREAE.—Heads heterogamous, rayed or discoid or homogamous and rayless. Flowers of disk usually yellow, of ray variously coloured. Anthers subentire at the base. Style-arms flattened or plano-convex. Pappus usually thinly setose. Leaves usually alternate:-

Heads not raved:-

minute hairs; corolla of Q reddish, of & yellow.........9. Dichrocephala. Achenes minute, oblong, smooth; pappus 0; corollas rose-purple

10. Cvathocline. Achenes flattened, glandular; pappus tubular with fimbriate mouth; corollas 

Heads rayed; disk flowers ₫, yellow:—

Ray flowers white:-

Pappus copious; achenes angled or ribbed; shrubs.......13. Microglossa. Ray flowers yellow, filiform; pappus slender, usually reddish in fruit; 

Tribe 4. INULEAE. - Heads heterogamous, rayed or discoid or homogamous and rayless. Flowers of disk and rays usually yellow. Anther-bases tailed (except Laggera). Style-arms linear obtuse or styles of sterile flowers undivided. Leaves

Heads heterogamous, not rayed:-

Heads corymbose or panicled:-

Herbs, often aromatic, with narrow bracts; pappus 1-seriate, caducous:-Shrubs or undershrubs with broad bracts; pappus 1-seriate, free or someHeads collected in dense globose or ovoid clusters:-

Herbs with decurrent leaves; bracts paleaceous, few or many; pappus 0

20. Sphaeranthus.

Acanthospermum.

Shrubs with broad leaves; bracts 1-2, short; pappus in sterile flowers 0, Heads corymbose or fascicled; bracts scarious, usually hyaline; more or less white- or yellow-woolly everlastings:-

Flowers, & usually sterile, Q in many rows fertile.......22. Anaphalis. Flowers, & few fertile, Q in 2-many rows fertile.......23. Gnaphalium. Flowers, & usually fertile, Q in 1, rarely 2 rows fertile....24. Helichrysum. Heads solitary, terminal or axillary, drooping, large; outer bracts foliaceous; 

Heads heterogamous, usually rayed:-Achenes terete, villous; pappus of ray flowers scanty or 0, of disk flowers Achenes usually ribbed; pappus double, outer row of scales, inner of hairs

27. Pulicaria. Heads homogamous, not rayed, axillary, sessile with 2 large bracts; achenes flat, obovoid, winged; pappus of 2 ovate scales.......................28. Caesulia.

Tribe 5. HELIANTHEAE. - Heads heterogamous, usually rayed or homogamous, not rayed. Flowers usually yellow. Receptacle paleaceous. Anther-bases not tailed. Style-arms truncate or appendiculate, or of sterile flowers entire. Pappus of 2-4 bristles or paleaceous or 0. Leaves usually opposite:-

Heads heterogamous or homogamous; anthers united in a tube:-

Heads 1-flowered, in clusters on a common receptacle supported by bracteate leaves; bracts 4-5, connate; achenes cuneate, compressed or 3-angled; pappus a toothed or fimbriate cup; lower or all leaves opposite...30. Lagasca. Heads many-flowered:-

Flowers of Q ligulate, fertile, of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ sterile; leaves opposite:—

Herbs or undershrubs; achenes obovoid, compressed, usually keeled at the margins; pappus 0 or of 2 minute hairs......31. Moonia. Annual herbs; achenes spinous with 2 long horn-like spines at top

Flowers of Q fertile, of & fertile or the innermost sterile:-Pappus of 1-4 bristly awns or cup-like or 0:-

Achenes all thick, or those of Q flowers 3-cornered and those of & flowers compressed:-

Inner bracts of involucre embracing the achenes of Q flowers, outer bracts 5, narrow, glandular; achenes glabrous, obovoid, angled; Inner bracts of involucre not embracing the achenes of Q flowers:-

Paleae of receptacle flat, slender, plumose; outer bracts 5, broad, inner about 3; achenes of Q flowers triquetrous, warted, of flowers compressed; pappus of 1-2 minute teeth...33. Eclipta. Paleae of receptacle concave, embracing the achenes:-

Ray flowers sterile, ligulate, yellow; achenes obovoid, curved, enclosed in the rugose or ribbed, often beaked paleae; pappus 0 or a ring of scales......34. Sclerocarpus. Ray flowers fertile:-

Ligules small, yellowish or white; achenes truncate, not ciliate, of Q flowers triquetrous or compressed, of flowers 3-4angled; pappus 0 or of 2-5 short bristles.....35. Blainvillea. Ligules large, yellow; achenes truncate, cuneate, not ciliate, smooth or tubercled; pappus 0 or a ring of small scales

Achenes more or less depressed from the top; pappus of 2, rarely 3-4, bristles or 0:-

Outer bracts of involucre foliaceous, inner passing into paleae;

ray flowers fertile:-

Style-arms of disk flowers with a short appendage:-

paleaceous:-

Tribe 6. HELENIEAE.—Heads heterogamous, rayed, or rarely homogamous, not rayed. Flowers usually yellow. Receptacle naked or slightly pitted. Antherbases obtuse or rarely shortly sagittate, tips appendiculate. Style-arms truncate or appendiculate. Pappus paleaceous, aristate or 0. Leaves opposite or alternate:—

Heads very small, in dense cymes, surrounded by floral leaves; leaves opposite; achenes oblong, compressed, with 8—10 prominent ribs; pappus 0

44. Flaveria.

Tribe 7. ANTHEMIDEAE.—Heads heterogamous, rayed or discoid or homogamous and rayless. Flowers of various colours. Receptacle naked or paleaceous. Anther-bases not tailed. Style-arms truncate. Pappus 0 or a crown of short paleae. Flower-heads discoid, heterogamous; pappus 0. Leaves usually alternate:—

Tribe 8. SENECIONEAE.—Heads heterogamous, rayed or discoid, or homogamous, not rayed. Disk flowers yellow or red; ray flowers also usually yellow. Receptacle usually naked. Anther-bases obtuse, rarely tailed. Leaves usually alternate:—

Style-arms truncate or appendiculate; pappus of fine hairs; heads homogamous, not rayed:—

Heads heterogamous, rayed, rarely homogamous without rays; flowers usually yellow, bracteolate or not; style-arms usually truncate................50. Senecio.

Tribe 9. CYNAREAE.—Heads homogamous or rarely heterogamous, with the outer ring of flowers neuter or Q, all flowers tubular, variously coloured, Receptacle usually paleaceous or densely bristly. Anther-bases tailed. Styles

subentire or the arms short, hairy and thickened towards the base. Pappus paleaceous or bristly, rarely 0. Leaves alternate, often spinous:—
Heads 1-flowered, crowded in involucrate spinous globose clusters...51. Echinops. Heads many-flowered, separate:—

Basal areole of the achenes horizontal:-

Thistle with pinnatifid very spinous leaves; pappus hairs soft, feathery
52. Cnicus

Erect branched annual with the leaves not spinous; pappus paleaceous
53. Goniocaulon.

Basal areole of the achenes oblique or lateral:—

Tribe 10. MUTISIEAE.—Heads heterogamous or homogamous, rayed or not. Involucral bracts many-seriate, unarmed or spinescent. Receptacle rarely paleaceous. Anther-bases tailed. Style-arms rounded or truncate, not appendiculate. Pappus setose or paleaceous, rarely 0. Leaves usually alternate:—

Heads homogamous, with all the flowers f, or heterogamous with the outer

Series II. LIGULIFLORAE. -Flowers all ligulate. Juice milky:-

Tribe 11. CICHORIEAE.—Heads homogamous. Involucral bracts membranous, usually 1—2-seriate. Receptacle naked or paleaceous. Anther-bases sagittate, rarely tailed. Style-arms slender. Pappus setose paleaceous or 0. Leaves radical or alternate, never opposite:—

Pappus hairs simple:—
Achenes usually beaked, narrowed at the ends:—

#### 1. Centratherum, Cass.

Erect or diffusely branched herbs. Leaves alternate, petioled, usually toothed. Heads homogamous, pedunculate, solitary or in corymbs. Involucre subhemispheric; bracts many-seriate, the outer herbaceous, often leafy, the inner scarious. Receptacle flat, naked or pitted. Corollas all tubular, equal, slender, purple; limb campanulate; lobes 5, narrow. Anthers obtusely auricled. Style-arms subulate,

puberulous. Achenes obtuse, 8—10-ribbed; pappus scanty or copious, usually short, fugacious.

Pappus yellowish:-

Flower-heads up to .75 in. in diam., leaves more or less serrate, loosely white-

felted, elliptic-ovate: -

Slender herbs:—

1. Centratherum reticulatum, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 227. Decaneuron reticulatum, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1080 (not very good).

W. Gháts, open downs in the Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys

above 6,000 ft., common and conspicuous.

A handsome plant 2—3 ft. high, with the appearance of a Centaurea.

2. CENTRATHERUM MOLLE, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 227. Decaneuron molle, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1082.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, apparently in damp places at low levels.

3. Centratherum courtallense, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 227. Decaneuron courtallense, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1081.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly at 5,000—7,000 ft.

Centratherum Rangacharii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 338.
 Hills of Tinnevelly, apparently at 3,000—5,000 ft. (Rangachari, Barber).

5. CENTRATHERUM RITCHIEI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 228.

W. Coast, in S. Canara (?) (Beddome).

An annual herb with cordate outer bracts and long red pappus.

6. CENTRATHERUM PHYLLOLAENUM, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 228.

W. Gháts, in S. Canara, Coorg, Mysore and Malabar at levels up to about 3,000 ft.

A very variable annual herb; even the pappus is only sometimes reddish.

7. CENTRATHERUM ANTHELMINTICUM, O. Kze. Rev. Gen. i. 320. Vernonia anthelmintica, Willd.; F. B. I. iii. 236.

All Districts, often on roadsides, frequent on black cotton soil. A large erect annual with purplish flowers. The seeds are used as an anthelmintic and to destroy insects. Vern. Hind. Somraj.

#### 2. Lamprachaenium. Benth.

An erect branched annual, hairs crisped. Leaves alternate, petioled. toothed, clothed below with white tomentum. Heads small, in subcorymbose panicles, homogamous. Involucre subcampanulate; bracts many-scriate, dry, the inner chaffy, acute, the outer with recurved foliaceous tips, the margins hispid. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas all tubular, equal, slender; limb shortly 5-fid. Anthers obtusely auricled. Style-arms subulate. Achenes obovoid, slightly compressed. shining, glabrous; pappus hairs few, short, red, fugacious. Lamprachaenium microcephalum, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 229.

Mysore, in the Bababudan Hills, at 4,000-5,000 ft. (Law. Meebold).

An erect herb 1-2 ft. high with loose inflorescence, the leaves white-felted beneath, the flowers purple.

#### 3. Adenoon, Dalz.

An erect, rigid, scabrous herb. Leaves alternate, sessile, coarsely and irregularly serrate, rough. Heads moderate-sized, in corymbose panicles, homogamous. Involucre campanulate; bracts many-seriate, imbricate, oblong-lanceolate, aristate, the outer gradually shorter. Receptacle flat, minutely fimbriate. Corollas all tubular, equal, very slender; limb 5-cleft with long linear lobes. Anthers dark-coloured, sagittate. Style-arms subulate, hairy. Achenes obovoid-cylindric, 10ribbed, glandular between the ribs; pappus 0. Adenoon indicum, Dalz.; F. B. I. iii. 229.

W. Gháts, in S. Canara and Coorg; Brumagiri Hills of Mysore (Fischer); hills of Tinnevelly (Beddome).

A rigid herb with broadly obovate serrate leaves and purple flowers.

#### 4. Vernonia, Schreb.

Trees, shrubs, undershrubs, herbs or climbers. Leaves simple, alternate, entire or toothed. Heads homogamous, terminal or axillary, solitary or in cymes or panicles, usually corymbose. Involucre ovoid, globose or hemispheric; bracts many-seriate, the inner the longest. Receptacle naked or pitted, sometimes shortly hairy. Corollas all equal, tubular, slender; lobes 5, narrow. Anthers obtusely auricled at base. Style-arms subulate, puberulous. Achenes 10-ribbed 3-5-angled or terete; pappus usually 2-seriate, the outer simple or paleaceous, the inner long, feathery.

Trees; achenes 10-ribbed:-

Heads I-flowered; leaf-margin entire, or rarely serrate: -

Shrubs or undershrubs:—

Achenes 10-ribbed, usually glandular between the ribs:-

Involucral bracts obtuse, mucronate:-

Leaves green beneath:-

Flower-heads small, slightly cottony, usually about 5-flowered, in small, short-peduncled corymbs at the ends of branches of a large panicle; leaves elliptic, acute, narrowed at base, distantly serrate, scabrid above, pubescent beneath, main nerves few, distant; pappus brownish..........4. divergens. Flower-heads medium-sized, glabrous, usually 10—15-flowered in a large, usually long-peduncled terminal corymb; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, narrowed at base, closely sharply serrate, nearly glabrous on both surfaces, main nerves many, close and parallel; pappus reddish

Flower-heads about 12-flowered, the bracts puberulous, in terminal corymbs about 5 in. in diam.; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, up to 5 in. long, 3 in. broad, mucronate-serrate, glabrous above, closely appressed white-tomen-

tose beneath, main nerves parallel, about 10 pairs; pappus reddish

Flower-heads small, 2—3 in. broad, in panicles of corymbs, the outer involucral bracts only reflexed-aristate; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, scabrous, crenate-serrate, main nerves 7—8 pairs, irregular; pappus reddish

11. saligna var. nilghirensis.

Flower-heads large, 5 in. or more broad:—
Flower-heads in terminal corymbs, usually paniculate:—

Flower-heads 1 in. or more in diam., single or 1-3 together, often 1 pedunculate, I nearly sessile at the ends of the long branchlets; leaves lanceolate or linear-lanceolate, caudate-acuminate, coarsely serrate; pappus 

Achenes 3—5-angled:—

Outer pappus hairs setose, inner white, soft:

Achenes 5-angled, silky, with white hairs; flower-heads 25 in. in diam., in corymbose panicles about 3 in. in diam.; leaves sessile, spathulate, obtuse at apex, ashy pubescent, nearly entire, 75-2 in. long......16. cinerascens. Achenes 4-5-angled, slightly hairy or glabrous, glandular; flower-heads ·3 in. in diam., in corymbose panicles often 5 in. in diam.; leaves petioled, ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, serrate, rough and pubescent beneath, up to 3 

Outer pappus hairs paleaceous:-

Leaves densely white-woolly beneath:—

Achenes trigonous:-

Heads very small, 5-flowered, ·1-2 in. in diam., in close pedunculate corymbs, the involucral bracts short, cottony; achenes sharply angled, very glandular, the paleaceous scales fimbriate; leaves lanceolate, gradually narrowed above, minutely serrate, covered above (when young only) and below as well as on the branchlets with long, soft silky wool, involucral bracts subulate, reflexed, inner obtuse, all white-cottony; achenes pyriform, glabrous, with strong ribs, the paleaceous scales fimbriate; pappus hairs stiff, few, deciduous; leaves linear-lanceolate, acute, crenulate, very rugose, covered below as well as the branches with closely appressed white hairs, up to 6 in. long, 1 in. broad

19. comorinensis.

Achenes tetragonous:—

Heads small, 10-14-flowered, 25 in. in diam., the involucral bracts short, oblong, acute, cottony; achenes glabrous, smooth-sided, the paleaceous scales narrow; leaves sessile, linear-lanceolate, obtuse, crenulate, very rugose, covered below as well as the branches with soft silky wool, up Heads many-flowered, 5 in. in diam., the involucral bracts many, lanceolate acuminate, up to 4 in. long, slightly araneous; achenes almost winged, glabrous; leaves lanceolate, petioled, acuminate, closely crenulate, villous above, covered below like the branches with white wool, up to 

Leaves more or less tawny-pubescent or -tomentose beneath:-Leaves beneath and branches with closely appressed golden pubescence, elliptic-lanceolate, acute, crenate-serrate, up to 3.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; flower-heads about 4 in. broad, in nearly sessile terminal corymbs, the

involucral bracts ovate mucronate; achenes 5-angled, smooth, glandular, 

Leaves beneath with soft tomentum:-

Tomentum thick, crispate, leaves elliptic or obovate, obtuse at apex, the margins subentire, up to 4.5 in. long, 2 in. broad; flower-heads small, 10-12-flowered, soft, in very large terminal corymbose panicles, often 10 in. in diam. and long-peduncled; achenes 3-5- usually 4-angled, puberulous and glandular; outer pappus short, subulate...23. Bourneana. Tomentum thin, leaves elliptic-lanceolate, acute at apex, serrulate, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad; flower-heads medium-sized, about 12-flowered, soft, in terminal corymbose panicles 4.5 in. in diam.; achenes 5-angled, obscurely crenate, up to 2 in. long, 5 in. in diam.; flower-heads usually 1-4 only, about 5 in. in diam., many-flowered; achenes 4-angled, 

Leaves beneath only slightly pubescent when young, afterwards glabrous, linear-oblanceolate, subacute, obscurely serrate towards the apex, up to 2 in. long, 25 in. broad; flower-heads 4 in. in diam., solitary or in pairs; achenes 4—5-angled, slightly pubescent and glandular; outer pappus fimbriate 26. Ramaswamii.

Herbs or herbaceous undershrubs with achenes smooth or slightly 4-5-angular only and covered with appressed silky hairs:-

Annual or somewhat perennial herbs erect or decumbent, 5-1.5 ft. high, the leaves very variable, glabrous or pubescent, ovate or lanceolate, the margins undulately toothed; involucral bracts usually glabrous above; outer pappus 

Annual or perennial undershrubs, herbaceous:-

Stems and leaves very white-tomentose, thick, leaves ovate-rhomboid, crenate-Stems and leaves pubescent, thin, leaves often large, ovate-lanceolate, sharply serrate, prominently nerved; outer pappus hairs extremely short

29. convzoides.

1. VERNONIA SHEVAROYENSIS, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 341.

Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Perrottet).

A small tree with rather thin nearly glabrous leaves.

2. VERNONIA MONOSIS, C. B. Clarke. V. arborea, var. Wightiana, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 239. Monosis Wightiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1085; Bedd. Fl. t. 226.

W. Gháts, from Coorg and the Bababudan Hills of Mysore to the Nilgiris, Anamalais and the hills of Travancore, usually

above 4,000 ft., common in Nilgiri Sholas.

A showy small tree with purple scented flowers and very tomentose leaves. Bark brown; wood pale brown, moderately hard, smooth and straight-grained. Vern. Tam. Shutthi; Mal. Kadavari.

3. VERNONIA TRAVANCORICA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 240. V. volkame-

riaefolia, Bedd. Fl. t. 225, not of DC.

W. Cháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests above 3,000 ft., often as standards over Ochlandra bamboo (Brandis).

A small tree reaching 30 ft. in height. Vern. Tam. Thenpu. 4. VERNONIA DIVERGENS, Edgew.; F. B. I. iii. 234. V. nilgheryensis,

DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1078. Decaneurum divergens, Wt. Ic. t. 1084. E. Gháts, hills from Ganjam to Godavari, up to 4,500 ft.; hill forests of the Deccan; W. Gháts, common in dry forest areas up to 6,000 ft.

A tall handsome shrub reaching 4-5 ft., with pink flowers and small capitula, rather variable in hairiness according to climate.

5. Vernonia pectiniformis, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 239; Wt. Ic. t. 1077. W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills above 6,000 ft. on the margins of Sholas. An erect or sometimes semiscandent shrub with purple flowers.

6. Vernonia pulneyensis, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 341. W. Gháts, Kodaikanal in Pulney Hills at 7,000 ft. (Fyson).

A slender undershrub.

7. VERNONIA MEEBOLDII, W. W. Smith in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. iv. 283. Travancore (Meebold)—from description only. An erect undershrub.

VERNONIA HEYNII, Bedd. MS. in Herb. Madr. ex Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 340.

Hills of Travancore (Beddome).

Apparently an erect shrub.

9. VERNONIA FYSONI, Calder in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. vi. 343, t. 10.
Pulney Hills, in Shola Forest at about 6,000—7,000 ft. (Bourne, Fyson).

An erect undershrub, up to about 10 ft. high. 10. Vernonia indica, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 238.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Coorg southwards to the hills of Travancore at 4,000—6,000 ft.

A large erect undershrub, conspicuously white-tomentose on the branches, inflorescence and leaves beneath, the pappus yellow-

ish, the flowers reddish-purple.

11. VERNONIA SALIGNA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 235.

Var. nilghirensis, Hook. f.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills and Wynaad.

An erect undershrub.

VERNONIA DALZELLIANA, Drumm. & Hutch. in Kew Bull. 1909, 261.
 W. Gháts, S. Canara, Coorg and Mysore at 2,000—3,000 ft.
 An erect or subscandent undershrub up to 4 ft. high, the rather large leaves membranous.

13. Vernonia Roxburghii, Less.; F. B. I. iii. 232. N. Circars, Sal forests of Ganjam (Gamble).

A large erect scabrous undershrub with reddish flowers, the achenes with stiff hairs, the flower-heads large, many-flowered.

14. VERNONIA PENINSULARIS, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 233. Decaneuron silhetense, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1083.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 6,000 ft.

An erect undershrub with flexuous branches, reddish flowers and heads with recurved aristate lower bracts.

15. VERNONIA BEDDOMEI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 231.
W. Gháts, hills of S. Travancore at low elevations.

A straggling undershrub with long slender branches with distant leaves and large reddish-purple flowers.

16. VERNONIA CINERASCENS, Schultz-Bip.; F. B. I. iii. 237.
S. Deccan, in dry plains regions of Coimbatore (Fischer).
An erect shrub, reaching 3 ft. in height.

17. Vernonia setigera, Arn.; F. B. I. iii. 235.
W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, about 4,000 ft.
An erect undershrub.

18. Vernonia gossypina, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 340.

Hills of Tinnevelly between Sengalteri and Naterikal, about 3,000—5,000 ft. (Rangachari).

A very handsome undershrub with pink corollas and beautiful long silky wool on the branchlets and undersides of the leaves.

 Vernonia comorinensis, W. W. Smith in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. iv. 283.

Hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore about 3,000—5,000 ft. (Beddome, Rangachari).

A small tree (Beddome), but apparently a handsome shrub.

- 20. Vernonia salvifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1079; F. B. I. iii. 237.
  Hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore at about 4,000—6,000 ft.
  A handsome shrub with thick branches.
- 21. Vernonia multibracteata, Gamble, in Kew Bull. 1920, 341. Travancore Hills, at Peermerd, 3,000 ft. (Beddome). Apparently a shrub.
- 22. Vernonia anamallica, Bedd. in Herb. Madr. ex Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 339.

  Anamalai Hills, in the higher ranges (Beddome).
- Apparently an erect shrub, golden brown when dry.

  23. VERNONIA BOURNEANA, W. W. Sm. in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. vi. 101.
  Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore, at 4,000—7,000 ft.
  A shrub or undershrub.
- 24. VERNONIA MALABARICA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 230. V. bababudensis, Talbot in Journ. Bomb. Nat. Hist. Soc. xi. 237, t. 8. V. Candolleana, W. & A.; F. B. I. iii. 236?.

  Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 5,000—6,000 ft. (Talbot); Sispara Ghát in Nilgiris (Beddome); hills of Travancore at 4,500 ft. (Meebold).
- A stout shrub.

  25. Vernonia Bourdillonii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 339.

  Travancore, in grass lands at high elevations over 4,000 ft. (Bourdillon, Rama Row).

  A common (Bourdillon) shrub reaching 3 ft. in height with purple flowers.
- 26. Vernonia Ramaswamii, Hutch. in Kew Bull. 1916, 35. W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, on the banks of streams and in the beds of rivers about 3,000—4,000 ft. Apparently a small undershrub.
- 27. Vernonia cinerea, Less.; F. B. I. iii. 233 in part.
  All plains Districts and to some altitude in the hills, a very common roadside or open forest or garden weed.
  A herbaceous plant with pink or lilac flowers and white silky pappus, the involucral bracts oblong-lanceolate, acuminate, the leaves very variable.
- 28. Vernonia Albicans, DC.; C. B. Clarke, Comp. Ind. 22. V. cinerea, Less., in part, F. B. I. iii. 233.

  Hills of the Deccan, Carnatic and E. side of W. Gháts, up to 4,000 ft. in open forest.
- A very white tomentose undershrub.

  Vernonia conyzoides, Wt. Ic. t. 1076, except the achenes; C. B. Clarke, Comp. Ind. 21. V. cinerea, Less.; F. B. I. iii. 233 in part. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and southwards at high levels above 6,000 feet in Shola forests.

  An erect herbaceous undershrub, sometimes reaching to 6 ft. in height, flowers purplish.

# 5. Elephantopus, Linn.

Rigid, usually perennial herbs. Leaves alternate or radical, entire or toothed. Heads homogamous, of 2—5 flowers, collected in a head-

like cluster supported by 3 broadly ovate-cordate leafy bracts; bracts of the heads about 8, in 2 rows, the outer shorter, all stramineous, oblong, acute. Receptacle naked. Corollas equal, tubular; limb deeply cleft in 5 lobes, which often spread palmately. Anthers auricled at base. Style-arms subulate, puberulous. Achenes 10-ribbed, truncate at apex; pappus bristles rigid, slender throughout or dilated below in a chaffy base.

ELEPHANTOPUS SCABER, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 242; Wt. Ic. t. 1086.

Forest undergrowth in all Districts, especially dry.

A stiff subscapigerous herb with obovate-oblong basal leaves up to 8 in. long, narrow sessile cauline ones, stiff heads with purple flowers and a pappus of 4—6 bristles dilated at base. Vern. Hind. Samdulun : Tam. Anashovadi.

#### 6. Adenostemma, Forst.

Herbs, glabrous or glandular-pubescent and sticky. Leaves usually opposite, petiolate, variously toothed. Heads homogamous, in terminal corymbs. Involucre campanulate; bracts many, equal, in 2 rows, herbaceous, sometimes connate. Receptacle flat, pitted. Corollas all equal, tubular, regular; limb 5-toothed. Anthers truncate with a glandular tip and obtuse base. Style-arms large and long, clavate. Achenes compressed, truncate, 3-5-angled, papillose when young, afterwards often glabrous; pappus of 3 or more short clavate hairs on a short ring.

ADENOSTEMMA LAVENIA, O. Kze., Rev. Gen. i. 304. A. viscosum, Forst.; F. B. I. iii. 242. A. latifolium, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1087.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, at all levels, in damp forests and along streams; Shevaroy Hills of Salem; forests of Cuddapah (Bed-

An erect sticky herb reaching 3 ft. in height, with white flowers. trigonous achenes, 3 pappus hairs and very variable leaves, usually thin but sometimes rugose, usually broadly ovate, crenate serrate or dentate on the margins, in one form linear-oblong.

# 7. Ageratum, Linn.

Erect herbs or undershrubs, strong-scented. Leaves opposite or the upper alternate. Heads homogamous, in dense corymbs or panicles. Involucre campanulate; bracts 2-3-seriate, linear, subequal. Receptacle nearly flat, naked or with caducous scales. Corollas all tubular, equal, regular, 5-cleft. Anthers appendaged, bases obtuse. Style-arms elongate, obtuse. Achenes 5-angled, glabrous or the angles slightly hispid; pappus of 5 free or connate paleaceous scales, broad and lacerate towards the base, aristate at apex or of 10-20 narrow unequal scales.

AGERATUM CONYZOIDES, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 243.

Most districts, both in the plains and hills, usually in damp places and in forest undergrowth; abundant and often troublesome in tea, coffee and other plantations.

A softly hairy annual weed with pale blue flowers, ovate crenate

petioled leaves and black achenes.

#### 8. Centipeda, Lour.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed. Heads small, heterogamous, not rayed, sessile on the branches or racemose, yellow; outer flowers Q, many-seriate, inner d, fewer, all fertile. Involucre hemispheric, bracts 2-seriate, spreading in fruit, small. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas of Q flowers minute, obscurely lobed, of d flowers with short tube and campanulate limb, 4—5-lobed. Antherbases obtuse. Style-arms short, truncate. Achenes 4-angled, obtuse at tip, the angles hairy, often glandular between; pappus 0.

CENTIPEDA ORBICULARIS, Lour.; F. B. I. iii. 317. Dichrocephala

Schmidii, Wt. Ic. t. 1610.

All Districts, in wet places.

A diffuse often prostrate small herb having obovate leaves with few teeth, the flower-heads sessile.

#### 9. Dichrocephala, DC.

Annual herbs. Leaves alternate, lyrate or pinnatifid, toothed. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, very small, globose or hemispheric, in terminal or axillary panicles; outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile, many-seriate, inner  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile, fewer. Involucre small; bracts sub-biseriate, slightly unequal. Receptacle somewhat contracted within the margin, elevated, the top flat. Corollas short of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers slender, minutely 2—3-toothed or expanded in a 3—4-lobed limb, reddish; of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers with a campanulate 3—4-lobed limb, yellow. Anthers short, the bases truncate. Style-arms short, flattened. Achenes compressed, with a thickened margin; pappus 0 or in  $\mathfrak P$  flowers of 2—3 minute hairs.

2. chrysanthemifolia.

1. Dichrocephala latifolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 245; Wt. Ic. t. 1096.
N. Circars, Hills of Vizagapatam above 3,000 ft.; Deccan, in N. Coimbatore Hills; W. Gháts, in all Districts and up to 8,000 ft.

 Dichrocephala chrysanthemifolia, D.C.; F. B. I. iii. 245; Wt. Ic. t. 1095.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., on open downs.

## 10. Cyathocline, Cass.

Erect, annual scented herbs. Leaves alternate, pinnatisect. Heads heterogamous, small, in terminal panicles, not rayed; outer flowers Q, fertile, many-seriate; inner \( \frac{2}{3} \), usually sterile. Involucre hemispheric; bracts sub-biseriate, lanceolate, acute, with scarious margins. Receptacle elevated, with contracted base and naked concave top. Corollas of Q flowers filiform with 2-toothed limb; of \( \frac{2}{3} \) tubular with campanulate 5-lobed limb. Anthers appendaged at tip, bases truncate. Style-arms

exserted, short, in § flowers sometimes simple. Achenes minute, oblong, smooth; pappus 0.

Cyathocline Lyrata, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 246; Wt. Ic. t. 1098.

Hills of N. Circars and Deccan, in moist places and on banks of streams; W. Gháts, down to Nilgiris, at low levels, in wet places and ricefields.

A very pretty sweet-scented herb with rose-purple flowers and

very much cut leaves.

#### 11. Grangea, Forsk.

Herbs, suberect or prostrate, villous. Leaves alternate, pinnatifid. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, terminal or leaf-opposed, subglobose; outer flowers \( \frac{9}{2} \), fertile, 1-or many-seriate; inner \( \frac{3}{2} \), fertile. Involucre broadly campanulate; bracts few-seriate, the outer herbaceous. Receptacle convex or conical, naked. Corollas of \( \frac{9}{2} \) flowers filiform, the outer 2-, the inner 2—4-cleft; of \( \frac{3}{2} \) flowers with slender tube and campanulate 4—5-lobed limb. Anthers produced at apex, obtuse at base. Stylearms in \( \frac{9}{2} \) short, in \( \frac{3}{2} \) flattened, obtuse or with triangular points. Achenes flattened, glandular; pappus tubular with a fimbriate mouth. Grangea maderaspatana, Poir.; F. B. I. iii. 247; Wt. Ic. t. 1097.

All plains Districts; a common weed usually growing prostrate

on the ground on sandy lands and in waste places.

Flowers yellow, leaves sinuately pinnatifid with opposite lobes, the pappus-tube characteristic.

# 12. Myriactis, Less.

Erect annual herbs. Leaves alternate, dentate. Heads heterogamous, rayed, the ray flowers white, those of the disk yellow, solitary or in loose panicles; outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile, 2- many-seriate; disk flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , often sterile. Involucre hemispheric; bracts few-seriate, narrow, the margins scarious. Receptacle broad, convex, naked. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers with short tube, the ligule spreading or revolute in a curl, those of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers with a short tube and campanulate 4—5-lobed limb. Anthers obtuse at base. Style-arms of  $\mathfrak P$  short, of  $\mathfrak P$  lanceolate, flattened. Achenes compressed, marginate, shortly beaked; pappus 0.

Myriactis Wightii, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 247; Wt. Ic. t. 1091.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulney Hills at 7,000 ft. and higher. A stiff, annual weed with ovate or lyrate dentate villous leaves decurrent on a rather long petiole, long-peduncled heads and white-rayed flowers.

Var. bellidioides, Hook. f., leaves mostly radical, spathulate; heads scape-like, solitary.

Nilgiris, above Sispara, at 6,000-7,000 ft.

# 13. Microglossa, DC.

Shrubs, sometimes climbing. Leaves alternate, entire or denticulate-serrate, petioled. Heads heterogamous, rayed, in corymbs often paniculate; ray flowers ?, in 1—many-rows, fertile; disk flowers ?, few or many, often sterile. *Involucre* campanulate; bracts narrow, the margins usually scarious, the outer short. *Receptacle* flat, naked or slightly fimbrillate. *Corollas* of ligulate flowers with narrow tube and bifid whitish ligule; of disk flowers tubular with campanulate limb and 5 spreading lobes. *Anther*-bases obtuse. *Style*-arms in Q slender, in Q lanceolate, flattened. *Achenes* angular or ribbed, hairy, more or less compressed; pappus hairs 1—2-seriate, rather unequal.

MICROGLOSSA ZEYLANICA, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 257.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills (Wight). An erect branching shrub.

Var. Beddomei, Gamble. Leaves sessile or nearly so, narrower and more prominently nerved, broadest near the base; flowers, both Q and d, more numerous.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore (Beddome); Sengalteri in Tinnevelly (Madras Coll.).

## 14. Erigeron, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, usually radical and cauline, entire or toothed. Heads heterogamous, rayed, the outer ligulate flowers in few series \( \foats \), then usually many filiform \( \foats \) without ligules; disk flowers \( \foats \), all usually fertile. Involucre hemispheric or campanulate; bracts sub-biseriate, narrow, numerous. Receptacle flat or slightly convex, naked or pitted. Corollas of ligulate flowers narrow, white, pink or purple, of interior \( \foats \) flowers merely filiform, of \( \foats \) flowers yellow, tubular, with campanulate 5-lobed limb. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of \( \foats \) flowers linear, of \( \foats \) flowers lanceolate, flattened. Achenes compressed, marginate, narrow, usually minutely villous; pappus slender, feathery, often with a short outer ring. Heads very small, under \( 25 \) in, in diam, in elongate branched many-flowered panicles; leaves narrowly linear or lanceolate arrive are blacked many-flowered

panicles; leaves narrowly linear or lanceolate, entire or slightly toothed

1. canadensis.

Heads more than 25 in. in diam., in few-flowered terminal corymbs:—

Leaves obovate, coarsely toothed, amplexicaul at base, softly villous pappus white

1. ERIGERON CANADENSIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 254.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, at 6,000 ft., believed to have spread from N. America.

A tall herb, reaching 3 ft. in height, the small ligules pale rose-coloured.

2. ERIGERON ASTEROIDES, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 254.

Plains Districts of the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, less common on W. Coast, up to about 3,000 ft.

A coarse villous herb with bluish ligules and yellow disk flowers, the pappus a dirty white.

3. ERIGERON ALPINUS, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 255.

Var. Wightii, Hook. f. E. Wightii, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1090. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, above 6,000 ft., on the downs.

An erect hispid herb with pale purple ligules, the disk flowers yellow.

Erigeron.

E. mucronatus, DC., a Mexican plant, is cultivated and has run wild in the Nilgiri Hills, where it has been known locally as Vittadenia australis, A. Rich. (cf. Fyson Hillt. Fl. 223).

## 15. Conyza, Less.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, entire or variously lobed. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, in corymbs or panicles, rarely solitary, the outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , many-seriate, fertile, inner  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile or sterile. Involucre campanulate; bracts 2-many-seriate, narrow, the outermost smallest. Receptacle flat or convex, naked or pitted and fimbriate. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers filiform, short, yellow, of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers tubular, with slightly enlarged 5-lobed limb, yellow. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of  $\mathfrak P$  slender, of  $\mathfrak P$  flattened, lanceolate. Achenes small, compressed; pappus slender, 1- or rarely 2-seriate, usually reddish in fruit.

Flower-heads rather large, 25 in. or more broad:—

Heads in corymbs:-

Corymbs terminal or from upper axils, close:— Leaves obovate or oblong, radical spathulate, coarsely but regularly serrate; heads 3 in. broad; achenes with few scattered hairs or glabrous

Heads in racemose panicles, usually loose, about 4 in. broad; leaves long, linear, entire or sometimes remotely serrate, hispidly villous; achenes sparsely silky 4. ambigua.

1. Conyza Japonica, Less.; F. B. I. iii. 238.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill at 4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 5,000 ft.

2. Conyza aegyptiaca, Ait.; F. B. I. iii. 258.

Deccan, in Mysore and Coimbatore to the N. slopes of the Nilgiris at 5,000 ft., in dry places.

3. Conyza viscidula, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 258.

W. Gháts, on western side from Wynaad to Tinnevelly, at 3,000—4,000 ft.

A tall much-branched viscid herb.

4. Conyza ambigua, DC. Fl. Fr. vi. 468. Erigeron linifolius, Willd.; F. B. I. iii. 234.

Deccan, in N. Arcot (Rangachari); W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, often on roadsides, above 6,000 ft.

An erect soft villous herb with yellow flowers, said (in F. B. I.) to be an "escape", i.e. an introduced plant.

5. Conyza stricta, Willd.; F. B. I. iii. 258.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill, at 4,500 ft.; hills of the Deccan and Carnatic; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 4,000 ft.

An erect plant with very small yellowish flower-heads.

#### 16. Blumea, DC.

Herbs or undershrubs, occasionally shrubs, annual or perennial, glandular-pubescent, woolly or glabrous, usually aromatic. Leaves alternate, usually toothed or lobed. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, in corymbs panicles or fascicles, rarely racemed or solitary, the outer flowers Q, many-seriate, the inner f, few, fertile. Involucre campanulate; bracts many-seriate, narrow, herbaceous or soft, the outer smaller. Receptucle flat, naked, sometimes pubescent. Corollas of Q flowers filiform, minutely 2—3-toothed; of Q flowers tubular, slender, with a slightly enlarged 5-lobed limb. Anther-bases sagittate with small slender tails. Style-arms of Q slender, of Q flattened, papillose. Achenes small, terete or angled or ribbed; pappus 1-seriate, the hairs slender, caducous.

Herbs. Heads solitary or 2, peduncled at the ends of the branchlets; lobes of  $\frac{3}{4}$  corollas villous:—

Inner involucral bracts long-hair-tipped; leaves all alternate, semi-amplexicaul, dentate or entire; achenes oblong, not angled or ribbed, pubescent; pappus pink

1. ampleciens.

Erect herbs:-

Heads many:—
Heads in close spiciform cymes or panicles, usually small:—

Corollas of & purple; leaves obovate:-

Leaves irregularly toothed; corolla-lobes glandular; achenes hairy

Corollas of ₹ yellow:—

Heads in close clusters terminal to the stem or its branches, the stem scape-like, the clusters with much silky wool underneath them; basal leaves in rosette, oblanceolate or spathulate, regularly shortly dentate, stem-leaves

lobes glabrous; achenes not ribbed, subtetragonous.......11. lacera.

usually smaller and more oblong, often very white-woolly; corolla-lobes glabrous but glandular; achenes ribbed, pubescent at first, then glabrous 12. hieracifolia.

Heads small, in spreading corymbs and panicles; corollas of \$\frac{4}{9}\$ yellow; achenes ribbed:—

Lower leaves runcinate lyrate or subpinnatifid:-

Receptacle glabrous; heads in open panicles; leaves obovate or oblan-

ceolate, coarsely toothed, the upper small, minutely pubescent

Tall herbs, with heads in axillary sessile or peduncled clusters; leaves lanceolate-oblong distantly serrate, subsessile; receptacle pubescent; achenes ribbed

Stout herbs with heads in clusters at the ends of the many branches; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, irregularly toothed; achenes angled and ribbed 18. flexuosa.

1. Blumea amplectens, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 260.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry Districts, frequent near the sea on the E. coast.

A small annual herb with yellow flowers, the coast form often glabrous.

2. Blumea bifoliata, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 261.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry places. A bushy herb up to 2 ft. high with yellow flowers.

3. Blumea Oxyodonta, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 266.

Most Districts, not very common.

A prostrate herb with large basal leaves and long branches with small ones.

4. BLUMEA ERIANTHA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 266.

Locality not recorded, probably W. Coast (Wight).

A slender erect herb with peduncled heads in dichotomous corymbose cymes.

5. Blumea Belangeriana, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 266.

W. Gháts, in all Districts from S. Canara southwards, up to about 3,000 ft.

An erect herb with reddish-brown stems and silky flowers and leaves, the heads sessile in the leaf-axils.

6. Blumea Malcolmii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 266.

Locality not recorded, probably S. Canara and Malabar (Wight). A stout herb with rather large thick leaves, which, with the inflorescence, are covered with soft white silky wool, the flowers vellow.

7. BLUMEA WIGHTIANA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 261.

All Districts and up to 4,000 ft. in hilly country, common. An erect strong-smelling herb.

8. Blumea neilgherrensis, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 261.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, southwards to those of Tinnevelly, above 5,000 ft. An erect herb, very softly hairy.

9. Blumea glomerata, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 262.

N. Circars, in the undergrowth of Sal forests in Ganjam; Deccan, Nallamalai forests of Kurnool, hills of Mysore. An erect distinct-looking herb with reddish bracts.

10. BLUMEA BARBATA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 262.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at low elevation.

A slender silky herb, resembling B. eriantha, flowers yellow.

11. Blumea lacera, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 263.

Var. glandulosa, Hook. f. More or less glandular, the leaves short and little-toothed, the flowers in heads on the many branchlets.

Nearly all Districts, but especially Western ones, usually at low

elevations.

A large strong-smelling herb, with thin, very variable leaves and yellow flowers.

12. Blumea Hieracifolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 263; Wt. Ic. t. 1099.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., in wet places and on the banks of streams.

A simple or sparingly branched, usually scapigerous herb with one close terminal cluster of heads and small stem leaves, flowers yellow.

Var. macrostachya, Hook. f. A taller, stronger herb with simple or branched inflorescence, larger flowers and leaves, especially on the stem, and usually with much white silky wool.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam at 5,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington); W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly above 6,000 ft., most common in the Pulneys.

13. Blumea virens, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 264.

N. Circars, Deccan and W. Gháts in hilly forest country and up to 5,000 ft.

A tall slender glabrous herb with yellow flowers. The var. minor, Hook. f., is clearly only a dwarf form.

14. Blumea membranacea, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 265.

N. Circars and Deccan in forest country, E. slopes of W. Gháts at low elevation.

Var. gracilis, Hook. f. Heads quite small, the panicle-branches racemose.

W. Coast, in Malabar (?).

Var. Gardneri, Hook. f. Heads large, on large terminal corymbose branches.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills above 5.000 ft.

- Blumea Laciniata, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 264.
   N. Circars, forest parts of Ganjam (Gamble).
   A stout villous herb.
- 16. Blumea Jacquemonth, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 265.
  E. Gháts, Mahendragiri in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. (Gamble, Fischer and Gage), Rumpa Hills in Godavari (Gamble); W. Gháts, at Coonoor, Nilgiris, 5,000 ft. (C. B. Clarke).
  A coarse glandular herb with yellow flowers and stiff, coloured, involucral bracts.
- Blumea Malabarica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 267.
   W. Coast, in S. Canara and Malabar; W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 3,500 ft.
   A tall erect plant with narrow leaves.
- Blumea flexuosa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 267.
   W. Gháts, hills of Mysore at 3,500 ft., Sispara in Nilgiris about 6,000 ft., hills of Travancore at 6,000 ft.
   A tall plant with large soft spreading inflorescence.
- 19. Blumea spectabilis, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 269.

  W. Gháts, in all Districts though scarce, up to 2,000 ft. in the Bolumpatti Valley, Coimbatore and the Attapadi Valley of Malabar (Fischer).

  A tall shrubby species with yellow flowers, the pappus red or white.

# 17. Laggera, Sch.-Bip.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, often rigid and decurrent in a wing to the stem. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, panicled or axillary, the outer flowers Q, many-seriate, the inner \$\frac{\phi}{2}\$, many, fertile. Involucre campanulate; bracts many-seriate, narrow, often rigid, the outer shorter. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas of Q flowers filiform, the mouth minutely toothed; of \$\frac{\phi}{2}\$ flowers tubular, limb 5-lobed. Anther-bases 2-lobed or sagittate, not tailed. Stylearms of Q slender, of \$\frac{\phi}{2}\$ slightly flattened. Achenes small, subterete, angled or ribbed; pappus 1-seriate, the hairs slender, often caducous.

Leafy wings of the stout stem entire and continuous, the leaves oblong, obtuse or slightly acute, denticulate; heads in short racemes on short peduncles; anther-bases sagittate; achenes oblong, dark, faintly ribbed and silky-villous

1. LAGGERA FLAVA, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 270.

N. Circars, in the forests of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, especially under Sál; W. Gháts, Travancore Hills up to 3,500 ft. (Beddome).

A rather conspicuous herb from its bright yellow flowers in loose-panicled cymes, and rather large glabrous leaves.

LAGGERA ALATA, Sch.-Bip.; F. B. I. iii. 271. Blumea alata, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1101.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. (Gamble); hills of the Deccan and Carnatic; W. Gháts, Mysore hills, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, up to 7,000 ft.

A stout rough leafy herb with conspicuously winged stems and drooping flowers. Fyson says the young leaves smell like Black-currants.

3. Laggera Pterodonta, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 271. Blumea pterodonta, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1100.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Barber); Deccan, hills of Cuddapah (Beddome); W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills at about 3,000—5,000 ft.

A more slender herb nearly glabrous.

4. Laggera aurita, Sch.-Bip.; F. B. I. iii. 271.

All dry Districts, especially on the E. Coast.

A slender viscidly pubescent herb, said to smell of turpentine.

### 18. Pluchea, Cass.

Shrubs or undershrubs, rarely herbs, tomentose or glutinous. Leaves alternate. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, white yellow or lilac, small in terminal corymbs or large and subsolitary, the outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , many-seriate, fertile, the inner  $\mathfrak P$  few, sterile. Involucre ovoid or campanulate; bracts ovate or lanceolate, usually broad, dry, rigid. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers filiform, minutely toothed; of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers tubular with a slightly enlarged 5-lobed limb. Anther-bases sagittate, tailed. Style-arms of  $\mathfrak P$  slender, of  $\mathfrak P$  entire or bifid. Achenes small, 4—5-angled; pappus 1-seriate, the hairs slender, free or sometimes connate.

PLUCHEA TOMENTOSA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 272.

Deccan, in Mysore, Bellary and Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Cour-

tallum in Tinnevelly (Wight).

A large shrub with broadly obovate, dentate, subamplexicaul and auricled leaves, corymbose flowers and 5-angled achenes ciliate on the angles.

# 19. Epaltes, Cass.

Herbs, erect or diffuse. Leaves alternate, usually decurrent, toothed. Heads heterogamous, small, disciform, solitary or corymbose; the outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , many-seriate, fertile, the inner  $\mathfrak P$ , usually sterile. Involucre hemispheric or broadly campanulate; bracts many-seriate, dry, rigid. Receptacle flat or convex, naked. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers filiform, minutely

2—3-toothed; of  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\beta}}$  flowers tubular or funnel-shaped, the limb 3—5-lobed. Anther-bases sagittate, shortly tailed. Style-arms of  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\beta}}$  slender, of  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\beta}}$  entire or bifid, papillose. Achenes of  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\beta}}$  flowers smooth or ribbed, of  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\beta}}$  usually abortive; pappus 0 or in some  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\beta}}$  flowers of 2—3 caducous hairs.

1. EPALTES DIVARICATA, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 274.

All plains Districts in dry country, in watery places.

2. EPALTES PYGMAEA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 274.

E. Coast Districts from Madras to Tinnevelly.

## 20. Sphaeranthus, Linn.

Annual herbs with spreading branches. Leaves alternate, toothed, decurrent on the stem. Heads small, heterogamous, not rayed, collected together in close terminal globose or ovoid clusters, the said clusters crowded on a large common receptacle and often having a general involucre of empty bracts at their base, each head with few or many outer flowers \( \varphi \), fertile, and few inner flowers \( \varphi \), fertile or sterile. Involucre narrow, with few or many paleaceous bracts. Receptacle small, naked. Corollas of \( \varphi \) flowers slender, tubular, minutely 2—3-toothed, of \( \varphi \) with tubular funnel-shaped or globular thickened tube and 4—5-lobed limb. Anther-bases sagittate, auricles acute or tailed. Style-arms filiform, sometimes connate. Achenes terete or angled, glabrous or villous, often glandular, those of \( \varphi \) and \( \varphi \) often different; pappus \( 0 \).

Clusters of heads ovoid, 5-1 in. long, spinous from the exserted tips of the bracts; outer involucre present;  $\frac{1}{2}$  corolla tubular; leaves linear-oblong, obtuse, serrulate, slightly decurrent; achenes of Q stalked, ovoid, villous, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  larger, sessile, glabrous

Clusters of heads globose, bracts not exserted, no outer involucre; leaves long-

1. SPHAERANTHUS AMARANTHOIDES, Burm. f.; F. B. I. iii. 274. Oligolepis amaranthoides, Wt. Ic. t. 1149.

Deccan and Carnatic from Mysore southwards, in rice-fields and near the sea-coast.

An erect stout-stemmed herb, smelling of mint, the head-clusters cone-like, red.

2. Sphaeranthus africanus, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 275.

E. Coast, in S. Canara and Malabar, in swampy places. A slender glabrous fragrant herb with white (Rangachari) or purple (Cooke) flowers.

3. Sphaeranthus indicus, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 275. S. hirtus, Willd.; Wt. Ic. t. 1094.

All plains Districts, in wet places, especially rice-fields, common. An aromatic herb with glandular-hairy stem and branches and pink or purple flowers.

#### 21. Blepharispermum, Wight.

Glabrous shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed. Heads small, heterogamous, not rayed, collected together in close globose clusters, the said clusters sessile on an oblong or cylindric common receptacle bracteate at the base, each head with few outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile, and few inner flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile or sterile. Involucre of 1—2 bracts shorter than the paleae of the receptacle. Receptacle small or cylindric with rigid paleae enclosing the flowers. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers slender, tubular, 3—4-lobed, of  $\mathfrak P$  tubular, enlarged above, the limb campanulate 5-lobed. Anther-bases sagittate, the auricles tailed, connate. Stylearms of  $\mathfrak P$  linear, of  $\mathfrak P$  stout, obtuse, papillose. Achenes of fertile flowers compressed, black, the margins ciliate, the outer ones with a ciliate rib; pappus in sterile flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , in fertile flowers of unequal paleae or bristles.

1. Blepharispermum petiolare, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 276; Wt. Ic. t. 1092. W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly at about 1,000 ft.

A glabrous shrub, climbing by means of its divaricate branches, the woody stem attaining nearly 1 in. in diam.; bark grey (Trimen Fl. Ceyl. iii. 27).

2. Blepharispermum subsessile, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 276; Wt. Ic. t. 1093. Deccan, in Mysore, Ramandrúg in Bellary to N. Nilgiris, at 2,000—3,000 ft.

An erect shrub about 3 ft. high.

# 22. Anaphalis, DC.

Perennial herbs or small shrubs, cottony or woolly. Leaves alternate. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, corymbose, outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , in many rows, fertile; inner  $\mathfrak P$ , usually sterile. Involucre campanulate turbinate or subglobose, usually woolly at base; bracts many-seriate, the outer sessile, the middle ones longer and clawed, the inner narrow and clawed, the limb white or tinged with yellow or pink. Receptacle naked. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers filiform, 2—4-toothed; of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers tubular, limb 5-toothed, often glandular, all usually yellow. Antherbases sagittate, tailed, the auricles connate. Style-arms obtuse or capitate. Achenes small, oblong, terete or angled, usually minutely scaly or papillose; pappus 1-seriate, the hairs sometimes connate at the base, but usually free and caducous, scabrid, the tips often feathery.

Leaves prominently 5-ribbed from the narrowed semi-amplexicaul base, the margins only sometimes folded back, both surfaces covered with densely appressed cinnamomeous or greyish tomentum, up to 4 in. long, 75 in. broad; heads small, in dense rounded corymbose clusters, & flowers about 16; bracts oblong, obtuse, white; 

Leaves 3- or more-ribbed from the base, the ribs concealed by soft cottony wool:-Leaf margins prominently folded back, the leaves oblong or oblong-lanceolate, densely congested at the base and deflexed, sparse above, up to 1.5 in. long; heads large, 4 in. in diam., in compact terminal woolly corymbs, flowers very many; bracts white, the limb ovate, recurved; achenes minutely scaly

Leaf-margins flat, not or very slightly folded back:-

Leaves elliptic, covered with white wool, obtuse at base and slightly decurrent, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad; heads small, 2-3 in. broad, in densely compacted terminal single or branched corymbs, & flowers about 12, sometimes 0; bracts white, tinged when fresh with pink or yellow, limb lanceolate, acute; 

Leaves oblong, covered with smoky or tawny wool, semi-amplexicaul, up to 1 in. long, 25 in. broad; heads very small, 1—2 in. broad, in many-branched terminal corymbs, § flowers about 30; bracts yellow or pink, oblong or obovate, the apex toothed; achenes papillose......4. Notoniana.

Leaves 1-ribbed only but sometimes with oblique nerves not starting from the base: -

Leaves usually 1 in. long or more:-

Leaf-margins flat, leaves linear-oblong, acute, subamplexicaul and very slightly decurrent, up to 1-1.5 in. long, the basal short and obovate, closely whitewoolly; heads small, 25 in. broad, in close terminal sometimes branched corymbs, & few or many, usually fertile; bracts white or pink-tinged, acute; achenes papillose..... .....5. subdecurrens. Leaf-margins flat, not folded back except the upper ones of the scape, which are closely pressed and ascending; leaves linear-oblong or oblanceolate, very white-woolly, 1-3.5 in. long, 3 in. broad; heads 2-3 in. broad, in broad 

Leaf-margins always folded back: -

Leaves glabrous and dark green on the upper surface except when quite young, linear, 1-2 in. long, 1 in. broad, spreading or reflexed; heads small, in dense rounded, single or branched corymbs; bracts white, the limb 

Leaves crispately scabrous on the upper surface, semi-amplexicaul at base; heads in compact clusters:-

Heads small, I in. broad, few flowered; bracts oblanceolate, dentate at tip; leaves tapering upwards from a broad base to the slender apex, not decurrent, under surface with grey wool; achenes papillose ...... 8. aristata. Heads 25 in. broad, many-flowered; bracts oblong, acute; leaves linearoblong, obtuse at apex, the upper stem leaves shortly hooked, under-surface Leaves softly cottony on both surfaces, linear or linear-oblanceolate, 1-2 in. long, 1 in. broad, mucronate; heads few, large, 3 in. broad, many-flowered, in small subumbellate terminal corymbs; bracts white, lanceolate, acute;

Leaves less than 1 in. long, usually under 3 in., the margins revolute; subshrubby

plants with many flowerless leafy branchlets:-

Cauline leaves very many, close, spreading or curved upwards, linear, 3 in. long; heads very small, 15 in. broad, in close terminal corymbs 5-7 in. broad; bracts yellowish-white, the limb orbicular; achenes elongate, angled, minutely papillose...... Cauline leaves distant, appressed, linear, 3-4 in. long:-......ll. Meeboldii.

Branches slender, flowering ones clongate, to 12 in. or more, non-flowering 1-3 in., the leaves not very closely compacted; heads 3-4 in. broad, in heads.

- 1. Anaphalis Beddomei, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 282. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills, about 7,000 ft., on the downs. A loose undershrub, the main stem decumbent, the branches erect, leafy.
- ANAPHALIS TRAVANCORICA, W. W. Smith in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. iv. 284.
   W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore, above 7,000 ft. A large herb, somewhat shrubby at base, with large flower-
- 3. Anaphalis Elliptica, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1118. A. oblonga, DC. var. elliptica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 283.

  W. Chate. Nilciri and Anamalai Hills, above 7,000 ft.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Anamalai Hills, above 7,000 ft. A soft very white woolly herb, the bracts white or pink.

- 4. Anaphalis Notoniana, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 284; Wt. Ic. t. 1116. W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 7,000 ft. A well-marked pretty herb with yellow or pink bracts and tawny tomentum.
- 5. Anaphalis subdecurrens, Gamble n. comb. Gnaphalium subdecurrens, DC. in Wt. Contrib. 21. A. oblonga, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 283 in part.

W. Gháts, in all Districts from Coorg southwards above about 4,000 ft., in grassy lands and on the downs.

A variable herb, at high elevations and in dry places short and compact and much branched; at lower ones the corymbbearing stems longer, the corymbs more branched and the leaves more scattered.

- 6. Anaphalis Lawii, Gamble n. comb. A. oblonga, DC. var. Lawii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 283.
  - N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam at 4,500 ft.; Deccan, on Nandidrúg; W. Gháts, Coorg, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, Brahmagiris, hills of Coimbatore, N. Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, at 5,000—7,000 ft. A wide-spread, common and variable, very white and tall herb,

A wide-spread, common and variable, very white and tall herb, the bracts sometimes pinkish.

7. Anaphalis Marcescens, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 286. Gnaphalium marcescens, Wt. Ic. t. 1115.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, on the banks of streams, above 7,000 ft.; Coorg, at Mercara (Bourne).

A graceful small species, the corolla-lobes very glandular.

/8. Anaphalis aristata, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 285; Wt. Ic. t. 1119.
W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft.
A strong-smelling viscid herb with woody rootstock, the bracts

pink-tipped.

- 9. Anaphalis Wightiana, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 286; Wt. Ic. t. 1117. W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly above 6,000 ft., in cool places and on the banks of streams. An erect herb with woody rootstock, the bracts white.
- 10. Anaphalis Leptophylla, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 285.

  W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, above 5,000 ft., in damp places on the downs.

  A very slender herb with large flower-heads.
- 11. Anaphalis Meeboldi, W. W. Smith in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. iv. 284. W. Gháts, grassy hills in the Anamalais at 8,000 ft. (Barber, Fischer); Devicolam, Travancore, above 5,000 ft. (Meebold, Bourdle).

A much-tufted woody plant about 1 ft. high with thick rootstock and many branches, both with flower-heads and without.

- Anaphalis Bournei, Fyson in Kew Bull. 1914, 209.
   W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys (common) and hills of Travancore above 6,000 ft.
   A much-branched low bush with long slender flowering branches.
- 13. Anaphalis Neelgerryana, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 287; Wt. Ic. t. 478. W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 7,000 ft., usually on dry slopes and in rocky places.

  A low, much-branched shrub.

## 23. Gnaphalium, Linn.

Hoary or woolly herbs. Leaves alternate, entire. Heads heterogamous, small, not rayed, in terminal or axillary corymbs or fascicles, outer flowers  $\mathcal{Q}$ , very many, in 2—many-rows, fertile, inner  $\mathcal{F}$ , few, fertile. Involucre ovoid or campanulate; bracts many, imbricate, all scarious or with a white yellow or brown scarious blade, the claw usually thickened. Receptacle naked or pitted. Corollas of  $\mathcal{P}$  flowers filiform, 3—4-toothed, of  $\mathcal{F}$  flowers tubular, shortly 5-lobed. Anther-bases sagittate, with slender tails. Style-arms slender, truncate or capitate. Achenes small, oblong or obovoid, usually minutely scaly or papillose; pappus-hairs 1-seriate, plumose, slender or thickened at tip, more or less connate at base, caducous.

1. GNAPHALIUM LUTEO-ALBUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 288. Occasional, in most Districts, especially Nilgiris, about 7,000 ft.,

An annual wide-spread conspicuous weed.

Var. pallidum, Hook. f. Heads pale brown instead of golden vellow. Nilgiri and Anamalai Hills at high levels (Beddome, Bourne).

- 2. GNAPHALIUM HYPOLEUCUM, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 288; Wt. Ic. t. 1114. W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 7,000 ft. An erect stout "everlasting."
- 3. GNAPHALIUM INDICUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 289. All Districts, a common weed of roadsides and waste lands. A soft white woolly annual.
- 4. GNAPHALIUM PULVINATUM, Delile; F. B. I. iii. 289. N. Circars, in Ganjam, roadsides and waste lands. A soft prostrate woolly annual.

#### 24. Helichrysum, Gaertn.

Herbs or shrubs, often woolly. Leaves alternate, entire. Heads heterogamous or homogamous, not rayed, solitary or in corymbs; in homogamous heads all flowers &, in heterogamous headsouter I or rarely 2 rows ♀, fertile, inner ₺, usually fertile. Involucre various; bracts many-seriate, scarious, imbricate, yellow red brown or white. Receptacle flat, naked or pitted, the pit-margins bristly or paleaceous. Corollas of ♀ flowers filiform, minutely toothed, of ∮ tubular, the limb 4—5toothed. Anther-base sagittate, tailed. Style-arms of 9 slender, of & thickened, subcapitate. Achenes small, terete angled or sub-compressed, often papillose-scabrous; pappus 1-many-seriate, free or connate below, dilated or feathery above.

All leaves from the base to the inflorescence similar or nearly so, the cauline spreading:-

Shrub; leaves thick, lanceolate, usually 5 in. broad, glabrous above, grey or cinnamomeous-cottony beneath, 5—7-ribbed, the ribs impressed, apex acute and hooked, base semi-amplexicaul, margins often folded back; bracts yellow, 

Basal leaves much larger than the cauline, which are small and appressed:—
Basal leaves in rosette covered with soft spreading tawny wool, thin, 5-ribbed, the ribs not impressed, lanceolate from a broad base, up to 3 in long, 1 in broad, cauline leaves about 1 in long, lanccolate, acute; bracts white or yellowish, Basal leaves in short flowerless branches from a woody rootstock, linear lanceolate, thick, acute and hooked at tip, semi-amplexicall, prominently 5-7-ribbed, the ribs impressed, both surfaces with appressed cinnamomeous wool, margins folded back; bracts white or yellowish, rather long, the limb ovate, acute; achenes scaly

HELICHRYSUM BUDDLEIOIDES, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 290; Wt. Ic. t. 1113. W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, above 6,000 ft.

A shrub reaching 12 ft. in height with conspicuously ribbed leaves. Bark brown, fibrous; wood grey, hard and close-grained.

2. Helichrysum Hookerianum, W. & A. in DC. Prod. vi. 201. H. buddleioides, var. Hookerianu, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 291.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelley at 3,000—4,500 ft.

An undershrub with much soft wool.

- 3. Helichrysum perlanigerum, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920. 341. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills at 6,000—7,000 ft. (Beddome). An undershrub with very soft spreading floccose wool.
- 4. Helichrysum Wightii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 291.
  W. Gháts, Nilgiris, above Sispara at 7,500 ft. (Wight, Lawson, Gamble).
  A herbaceous plant with many flowerless and few flower-bearing

branches from a woody rootstock.

## 25. Carpesium, Linn.

Erect branched herbs. Leaves alternate. Heads heterogamous, not rayed, yellow, usually drooping, terminal or axillary, sessile or peduncled; outer flowers \( \foatigma\), fertile, inner \( \foatigma\), fertile. Involucre hemispheric or subglobose; bracts in few series, inner dry, outer with foliaceous tips. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas of both \( \foatigma\) and \( \foatigma\) all tubular, but the former without stamens; lobes 4—5. Anther-bases sagittate, tails slender. Style-arms linear, short, obtuse. Achenes elongate, striate, with an often glandular beak crowned by a thickened ring; pappus 0.

CARPESIUM CERNUUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 300.

Var. nilagiricum, C. B. Clarke. C. nepalense, Wt. Ic. t. 1120.

W. Ghats, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills in Shola forests, above 6,000 ft. An erect herb with yellow drooping solitary flowers and villous ovate-lanceolate, shortly serrate leaves up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad. The achenes are sticky and are troublesome, adhering to the clothes.

Var. ciliatum, Hook. f. A slender herb with small elliptic-ovate or lanceolate slightly serrate leaves under 1 in. long, the heads 5 in. in diam.

Travancore (Herb. Rottler in Wall. Coll. 3214).

# 26. Vicoa, Cass.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed, the upper amplexicaul. Heads heterogamous, rayed, or (from absence of ray) homogamous and not rayed, solitary, terminal or on leaf-opposed peduncles; ray-flowers \( \frac{9}{2} \), fertile, 1—2-seriate; disk-flowers \( \frac{1}{2} \), many, fertile. Involucre campanulate; bracts many-seriate, narrow, with scarious margins, the outer shorter. Receptacle flat or subconvex, naked. Corollas of ray-flowers 2—3-toothed, of disk-flowers tubular, slender, shortly 5-tobed. Anther-bases sagittate, the tails slender. Style-arms of \( \frac{9}{2} \) flowers linear, of \( \frac{1}{2} \) flowers flattened, obtuse or truncate. Achenes

small, terete, villous; pappus of ray-flowers scanty or 0, of disk-flowers of few slender hairs.

1. Vicoa indica, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1148. V. auriculata, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 297.

All Forest Districts, in the undergrowth of deciduous forest, common.

An erect herb with bright yellow flowers.

2. VICOA CERNUA, Dalz.; F. B. I. iii. 297.

W. Gháts, hills of Mysore and Wynaad, at about 3,000—4,000 ft. An erect annual slender herb.

#### 27. Pulicaria, Gaertn.

Annual or perennial herbs, usually villous. Leaves alternate, sessile, often amplexicaul. Heads yellow, solitary, heterogamous and rayed or homogamous from the absence of rays; ray-flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , disk flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile. Involucre hemispheric or obconic; bracts in few series, narrow, acuminate or awned. Receptacle flat or convex, pitted. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers ligulate and 2—3-toothed or tubular, of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers tubular, slender, shortly 5-lobed. Anther-bases sagittate, the tails capillary, simple or branched. Style-arms of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers slender, of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers linear, obtuse, slightly flattened. Achenes terete or ribbed; pappus double, the outer of short jagged scales, the inner or scabrid or bearded filiform or flattened hairs.

1. Pulicaria Wightiana, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 298. Callistephus Wightianus, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1089.

Deccan and E. slopes of the Gháts, in dry hill forests, up to

4,000 ft.

A much branched annual leafy herb.

2. Pulicaria angustifolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 299.

Deccan, in dry open forests in Kistna and Kurnool to Mysore and Bellary.

A branching annual with slender stems.

## 28. Caesulia, Roxb.

A glabrous marsh herb. Leaves alternate, lanceolate, serrulate. Heads axillary, sessile, homogamous, not rayed, all flowers &, fertile. Involucre large, membranous; bracts 2, orbicular or ovate. Receptacle with lanceolate stramineous paleae to the outer flowers, glabrous. Corollas tubular, deeply 5-lobed, the lobes linear. Anther-bases sagitate, tails of a bundle of fine hairs. Style-arms short, clavate. Achenes

flat, obovoid, winged on each side, sparsely hairy; pappus of 2 ovate scales above the wings.

Caesulia axillaris, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 93; F. B. I. iii. 291; Wt. Ic. t. 1102.

Most plains Districts, especially on E. Coast, in ricefields.

A prostrate or subcrect herb with pale blue or lilac flowers in the axils of the narrow leaves.

#### 29. Xanthium, Linn.

Annual herbs. Leaves alternate, toothed or lobed. Heads monoecious, not rayed, the \$\frac{1}{2}\$ in upper axils, globose, sterile; the \$\frac{1}{2}\$ below, 2-flowered, apetalous, fertile. Involucre of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ heads short, bracts few, small; of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ with the bracts united in a closed 2-horned utricle with 2 cells and clothed with hooked bristles. Receptacle of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ cylindric with hyaline paleae enclosing the flowers. Corollas of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 0, of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ tubular, 5-lobed, very thin. Anthers distinct, the bases obtuse, the tips inflexed; filaments monadelphous. Style-arms of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ flowers 2, long, exserted, of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ short. Achenes 2 to each head, enclosed in a 2-beaked utricle formed by the hardened involucre and covered with hooked spines; pappus 0.

XANTHIUM STRUMARIUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 303. X. indicum, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1104.

Most plains Districts, on waste ground, roadsides and rubbishheaps, chiefly near houses.

A coarse annual plant with scabrid triangular-cordate, often 3-lobed, irregularly toothed leaves and large 2-celled fruit with strong hooks.

# 30. Lagasca, Cav.

Rigid villous or subglabrous herbs. Leaves opposite or alternate, entire or toothed. Heads 1-flowered on a common receptacle supported by bract-like leaves; all flowers &, fertile, white red or yellow. Involucre tubular; bracts 4—5, connate. Receptacle small. Corolla regular, tube short, limb elongate, cylindric or dilated, lobes 5. Antherbases sagittate, auricles obtuse. Style-arms long, curved, hairy. Achenes cuneate, compressed or 3-angled; pappus a toothed or fimbriate cup.

LAGASCA MOLLIS, Cav.; F. B. I. iii. 302.

Deccan, in Cuddapah, Chittoor, Bellary and Mysore, an introduced Central American plant, now run wild.

A grey-pubescent herb with ovate acuminate leaves and white flowers in a solitary head-like terminal leafy inflorescence.

# 31. Moonia, Arn.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, petioled, entire or pinnate, toothed. Heads heterogamous, rayed, solitary on terminal or axillary slender peduncles; outer flowers Q, fertile, uniseriate, inner \(\frac{2}{2}\), many sterile. Involucre campanulate, bracts few-, usually 2-seriate, thin, leafy, the outer larger and often recurved. Receptacle flat, with oblong membranous scales embracing the disk flowers. Corollas of \(\frac{2}{2}\) flowers with a 3-fid ligule, of \(\frac{2}{2}\) tubular, 4—5-lobed. Anther-bases subsagittate.

Style-arms of  $\circ$  2, linear, revolute, of  $\circ$  undivided, pubescent. Achenes obovoid, compressed, smooth, usually keeled at the margins; pappus 0 or of 2 minute bairs.

1. Moonia heterophylla, Arn. Pug. 31. Chrysogonum heterophyllum, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 303.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore,

above 6,000 ft., in damp shady places.

A perennial undershrub with golden-yellow flowers and pinnate or deeply pinnatisect serrate leaves.

 Moonia Arnottiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1015. Chrysogonum Arnottianum, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 303.

W. Gháts, Mysore, Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft., on the margins of Sholas, especially between Avalanché and Sispara; Atapadi Hills of Malabar (Fischer).

A perennial undershrub, very like the last, but with larger

yellow flowers.

Acanthospermum hispidum, DC., a South American introduced plant, has been found in S. Canara and Salem Districts, and is said to be spreading and likely to become common. The plant is hairy, the leaves obovate, spathulate; the heads in the forks of dichotomous branches, the achenes spinous.

#### 32. Siegesbeckia, Linn.

Glandular pubescent herbs, annual. Leaves opposite, toothed, shortly petioled. Heads heterogamous, rayed, in leafy panicles; outer flowers  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile, 1-seriate, inner  $\mathfrak P$ , fertile or the innermost sterile. Involucre campanulate or hemispheric; bracts few, herbaceous, with many stalked viscid glands, outer narrow spathulate spreading, inner enclosing the ray-flowers. Receptacle small; paleae membranous, concave, enclosing the flowers. Corollas of  $\mathfrak P$  ray-flowers spreading, 2—3 lobed; of  $\mathfrak P$  flowers tubular and glandular hairy below with a campanulate 5-lobed limb. Anther-bases obtuse, tips incurved. Stylearms of both  $\mathfrak P$  and  $\mathfrak P$  2, flattened, recurved. Achenes glabrous, obovoid, angled, often curved, truncate; pappus 0.

Siegesbeckia orientalis, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 304; Wt. Ic. t. 1103. All Districts, in waste places, by roadsides and in second-growth forest, at all elevations.

A large annual herb with yellow flowers and large ovate-triangular deeply-cut leaves, the flower-heads glandular and very sticky, adhering to the clothing.

## 33. Eclipta, Linn.

Strigosely hirsute annuals. Leaves opposite. Heads small, heterogamous, rayed, on axillary or terminal peduncles; outer flowers 2,

ECLIPTA ALBA, Hassk.; F. B. I. iii. 304.

All Districts and at all elevations, in waste places and on roadsides, common.

An annual herb with small flowers with white rays and lanceolate-oblong strigose leaves, branches erect or prostrate, the erect plants usually with lanceolate-oblong leaves often 3 in. long, the prostrate ones with short leaves scarcely 5 in. long, but there are many intermediate forms.

#### 34. Sclerocarpus, Jacq.

Herbs, strigose or villous. Leaves opposite or alternate, perioled. Heads heterogamous, rayed, terminal or axillary or leaf-opposed; outer flowers & 1-seriate, sterile, inner flowers & fertile. Involucre campanulate; bracts few, biseriate, all or the tips herbaceous, outer spreading. Receptacle convex, with many chaffy paleae embracing the & flowers and finally hardening round the achenes. Corollas of ray-flowers with broad spreading yellow 0—3-lobed ligules, of & flowers tubular, 5-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of ray-flowers recurved, slender, of & flowers short, subclavate. Achenes obovoid, subcompressed, curved, narrowed below, enclosed in the rough, rugose or ribbed, often beaked paleae; pappus 0 or a short ring of scales.

SCLEROCARPUS AFRICANUS, Jacq.; F. B. I. iii. 305.

Deccan, Gersakal in Coimbatore, at 5,000 ft. (Fischer).

An erect annual herb with yellow flowers, ovate acute serrate strigosely hairy leaves and a beaked, ribbed fruit.

# 35. Blainvillea, Cass.

Erect, scabrid or villous herbs. Leaves opposite or the upper alternate, petioled, toothed. Heads small, heterogamous, rayed or subdisciform, terminal or axillary, subsessile or peduncled; the outer  $\[Phi]$ ,  $\[Phi]$ ,  $\[Phi]$ , fertile. Involucre ovoid or subglobose; bracts few, outer herbaceous, inner passing into the paleae of the receptacle. Receptacle small, convex, with many folded, rigid, membranous paleae enclosing the flowers. Corollas of  $\[Phi]$  flowers of short 2—3-toothed ligules, sometimes absent, of  $\[Phi]$  tubular with campanulate 4—5-lobed limbs. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of  $\[Phi]$  flowers short, flattened, of  $\[Phi]$  narrow, flattened. Achenes truncate, of ray 3-quetrous or compressed, of disk 3—4-angled or compressed; pappus 0, or of 2—5 short scales or bristles.

BLAINVILLEA RHOMBOIDEA, Cass. B. latifolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 305. All Districts and up to 5,000 ft. in the hills, in fields and waste places, common.

A rigid scabrous herb with yellowish or white flowers, many branches, ovate serrate 3-nerved leaves and cuneate achenes marked with faint horizontal lines.

## 36. Wedelia, Jacq.

Herbs or shrubs, sometimes scandent, scabrid pubescent or hirsute. Leaves opposite, often triple-nerved. Heads heterogamous, rayed, yellow, axillary or terminal; outer flowers Q, fertile, inner  $\frac{p}{2}$ , fertile, or the inner sterile. Involucre campanulate or subhemispheric; bracts usually biseriate, the outer herbaceous. Receptacle flat or convex with paleae folded or concave enclosing the flowers. Corollas of Q flowers ligulate, the ligules spreading, entire or 2—3-toothed; of Q flowers tubular with 5-lobed limb. Anther-bases entire or subsagittate. Stylearms of Q slender, of Q clavate, hairy. Achenes cuneate, triquetrous or compressed, truncate, smooth or tubercled; pappus 0 or a ring of small scales.

- 1. Wedelia calendulacea, Less.; F. B. I. iii. 306; Wt. Ic. t. 1107. Plains Districts, especially on E. and W. Coast, in wet places. A procumbent perennial, the stems rooting at the nodes.
- 2. Wedelia urticaefolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 306; Wt. Ic. t. 1106. Var. Wightii, DC.

W. Cháts, in all Districts, at about 3,000—5,000 ft. An erect hispid herb, sometimes almost an undershrub.

3. Wedelia biflora, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 306; Wt. Ic. t. 1108. E. and W. Coast, near the sea. A climbing shrub.

# 37. Spilanthes, Linn.

Annual herbs. Leaves opposite. Heads heterogamous and rayed or homogamous and disciform, on long peduncles, axillary or terminal; ray-flowers when present 1-seriate, Q fertile; disk-flowers & fertile. Involucre short, ovoid or campanulate; bracts sub-biseriate, unequal. Receptacle elongate, paleae enclosing the flowers often connate with the ovary as a stalk. Corollas of Q flowers ligulate, the ligule small, white or yellow; of & tubular, limb, 4—5-lobed. Anther-bases truncate. Style-arms long, truncate. Achenes of ray triquetrous or dorsally compressed, of disk laterally compressed, ciliate or not at the margins, the

faces with short bulbous-based stiff hairs or glabrous; pappus 0 or of 2-3 bristles.

Spilanthes acmella, Murr.; F. B. I. iii. 307. S. calva, Wt. Ic. t. 1109.

All plains Districts, ascending the hills, a common weed.

An erect usually pubescent annual herb with ovate crenate leaves 1—2 in. long. Ligulate flowers are frequently absent. The achenes are normally ciliate on the margins, rough on the faces and with a pappus of 2—3 bristles, but a form (var. calva) otherwise the same has them nearly quite glabrous. The flower-heads when chewed have a hot burning taste. A larger form (var. oleracea) is cultivated in gardens.

## 38. Synedrella, Gaertn.

Annual, branched, pubescent or villous, herbs. Leaves opposite, petioled, toothed. Heads heterogamous, rayed, axillary and terminal; ray-flowers 1—2-seriate, Q, fertile; disk-flowers \( \frac{1}{2} \), fertile. Involucre ovoid or oblong; bracts few, 1 or 2 outer foliaceous, the rest passing into the paleae. Receptacle flat, paleae flat, scarious. Corollas of Q flowers ligulate, the ligule short, broad, 2—3-lobed, yellow; of \( \frac{1}{2} \) flowers tubular, limb 4-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of \( \frac{1}{2} \) flowers with long acute tips. Achenes of ray-flowers dorsally compressed, winged, the wings lacerate; of disk-flowers narrow, compressed or triquetrous, often muricate; pappus of 2 slender awns.

Synedrella nodiflora, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iii. 308.

Plains Districts, occasional on cultivated lands, introduced from Mexico.

An erect dichotomous herb with ovate-lanceolate serrate 3-nerved leaves, and achenes of two very distinct forms, the outer ones winged and spinous on the wings, the inner black and slender and muricate.

Guizotia abyssinica, Cass., F. B. I. iii. 308, is Niger, an African plant cultivated as an oil-seed in the Deccan and Carnatic. It is a stout herb reaching 3 ft. in height and has conspicuous yellow flowers. Vern. Hind. Surguja, Ram-til.

# 39. Glossocardia, Cass.

An annual diffuse branched glabrous herb. Leaves alternate, 1—2-pinnatisect, the pinnules linear. Heads heterogamous, rayed, small, terminal and axillary; ray-flowers Q, usually solitary, fertile; disk-flowers few, & fertile. Involucre oblong; bracts few, outer 1—3, small, inner oblong, with broad membranous margins. Receptacle flat, small; paleae few, flat, linear-lanceolate, scarious. Corolla of Q flowers ligulate, the ligule bifid; of & tubular with campanulate 4-lobed limb. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of Q flowers very short, of & flowers linear, acute, hispid at tip. Achenes narrowly oblong, much compressed dorsally, conspicuously ciliate on the margins, bearded on the face. Pappus of 2 smooth stiff awns.

GLOSSOCARDIA BOSVALLEA, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 110. G. linearifolia, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 308.

All plains Districts, in sandy places in dry country.

A pretty plant with conspicuous long-ciliate achenes. It has the scent of fennel.

#### 40. Bidens, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs, sometimes climbing. Leaves opposite, entire lobed or 1—2-pinnatisect. Heads heterogamous, rayed, in corymbose panicles or subsolitary; ray-flowers 1-seriate, neuter or rarely Q, disk-flowers \$\frac{1}{2}\$, fertile. Involucre campanulate or hemispheric; bracts sub-biseriate, outer short, herbaceous, inner membranous. Receptacle flat or convex, paleae narrow, nearly flat, subtending the \$\frac{1}{2}\$ flowers. Corollas of ray-flowers ligulate, the ligules spreading, entire or slightly toothed, white or yellow; of disk-flowers usually yellow, tubular, the limb 5-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse or subsagittate. Style-arms of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ flowers oblong, acute, hairy at tip. Achenes 4-gonous or dorsally compressed, linear or cuneiform, often narrowed above; pappus of 2—4 persistent retrorsely barbellate awns.

BIDENS PILOSA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 309.

All Districts, both in the plains and hills, common but probably

not truly indigenous.

An erect herb with variable leaves, flowers with white rays and yellow disk, the barbed achenes black and slender, about '5—'7 in. long, troublesome from the way they adhere to the clothing. The cut-leaved from (var. *bipinnata*, Hook. f.) is the most common one.

B. humilis, H. B. and K., is a pretty yellow-flowered species which has run wild along roadsides in the Nilgiris (see Fyson Hillt. Fl. 237, t. 170).

Cosmos sulphureus, Cav., is a Mexican plant closely allied to Bidens, but with larger pink flowers and longer achenes. It is cultivated in gardens and is often found run wild.

# 41. Glossogyne, Cass.

Perennial glabrous herbs with almost naked scape-like stems and branches. Leaves mostly radical, crowded, pinnatifid or cuneate and 3-toothed, cauline alternate or the lower opposite or 0. Heads small, heterogamous, rayed, peduncled, corymbose; ray-flowers Q, fertile, disk-flowers Q, fertile. Involuce small, bracts 2—3-seriate, narrow, the bases connate. Receptacle flat; paleae scarious, flat or concave. Corollas of ray-flowers ligulate, spreading, entire or 2—3-lobed; of Q flowers tubular with 5-lobed limb. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of Q flowers short, of Q with long hairy tips. Achenes dorsally compressed, linear ovoid or almost winged, truncate; pappus of 2 slender retrorsely barbellate awns.

GLOSSOGYNE PINNATIFIDA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 310.
N. Circars and Deccan, up to 2,000 ft., on sandy ground.

A herb with thick rootstock, pinnatifid basal leaves with narrow lobes, very small cauline ones, small yellow flowers and flat striate achenes with barbed awns.

## 42. Galinsoga, Ruiz et Pav.

Annual herbs. Leaves opposite, entire or toothed. Heads small, heterogamous, rayed, peduncled, subterminal and axillary; ray-flowers few, Q, 1-seriate, fertile; disk-flowers Q, fertile. Involucre hemispheric, bracts few, 1—2-seriate, ovate, obtuse, striate. Receptacle conic or elongate; paleae slender, serrate. Corollas of Q flowers ligulate, white, obtuse, the tube with spreading hairs; of Q flowers tubular, limb 5-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of Q spreading obtuse at tip, of Q acute, tip short. Achenes angled or the outer dorsally compressed, obovate, black, striate, and the inner minutely pubescent; pappus of a few linear scarious fimbriate scales, of ray-flowers 0.

GALINSOGA PARVIFLORA, Cav.; F. B. I. iii. 311.

Hills of the Deccan and W. Gháts, on roadsides and waste lands, a weed introduced from America.

A glabrous herb with very small flower-heads and ovate 3-nerved membranous leaves.

## 43. Tridax, Linn.

Perennial herbs. Leaves opposite, inciso-dentate or pinnatisect. Heads medium-sized, heterogamous, rayed; ray-flowers Q, fertile, disk-flowers Q, fertile. Involucre campanulate, few-seriate, outer broad, herbaceous, inner scarious. Receptacle flat or convex; paleae membranous. Corolla of Q flowers ligulate or 2-labiate, the outer lip large 3-lobed, the inner small 2-lobed; of Q flowers tubular, the limb 2-lobed. Antherbases with short acute auricles. Style-arms hairy, the tips subulate. Achenes turbinate or oblong, silky; pappus of short or long aristate feathery bristles.

TRIDAX PROCUMBENS, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 311.

All dry Districts, on roadsides and waste places, introduced from S. America.

A straggling hispid herb with much cut leaves, yellow flowers and achenes with feathery pappus.

# 44. Flaveria, Juss.

Nearly glabrous herbs. Leaves opposite, entire or dentate. Heads very small, heterogamous rayed, or homogamous with few \$\frac{3}{2}\$ flowers or reduced to 1 flower, \$\rho\$ or \$\frac{3}{2}\$, all fertile; collected in dense cymes surrounded by floral leaves, the cymes corymbosely paniculate or solitary, terminal, or in the axils of the dichotomous branches. Involucre of 2—4 elongate dry folded bracts, with sometimes a few smaller outer ones. Recoptacle small, naked. Corollas of \$\rho\$ flowers tubular with a very small ligule; of \$\frac{3}{2}\$ flowers tubular, the limb 5-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms spreading, truncate. Achenes oblong, compressed, with 8—10 prominent ribs; pappus 0.

FLAVERIA AUSTRALASICA, Hook.; Benth. Fl. Aust. iii. 546.

Most plains Districts, near the coast or inland, often in muddy

places on river banks, introduced from Australia.

A glabrous yellow-flowered herb with dense clusters of heads frequently 1-flowered (both of or f), oblong spathulate dentate leaves and flat ribbed achenes.

#### 45. Cotula, Linn.

Annual or perennial, often creeping, small herbs. Leaves alternate, pinnatified or pinnatisect, rarely entire or toothed. Heads small, heterogamous, not rayed, rarely homogamous; outer flowers Q, 1—2-seriate, inner Q, all fertile or inner sometimes sterile. Involucre hemispheric or campanulate; bracts sub-2-seriate, often with scarious margins. Receptacle naked. Corollas of Q flowers conic or Q, of Q flowers tubular, 4-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms truncate or obtuse, of sterile flowers sometimes entire. Achenes of Q or of all flowers stipitate, compressed, sometimes sheathed above by the base of the corolla, sometimes with a short auriculate pappus.

Cotula australis, Hook. f.; Fl. N. Z. i. 128.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 6,000

ft., probably introduced from Australia.

A small erect herb with pinnatifid leaves, small flower-heads on long filiform peduncles, no corollas to the of flowers and achenes of two sorts, those of ray-flowers flat, winged and glandular, those of disk-flowers thick and not winged.

## 46. Artemisia, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs, usually strong-scented. Leaves alternate, entire incised or 1—3-pinnatisect. Heads small, heterogamous or homogamous, not rayed, solitary or fascicled, racemose or panicled; outer flowers Q, 1-seriate, fertile, inner flowers Q, fertile or sterile. Involucre ovoid subglobose or hemispheric, bracts few-seriate, the outer shorter, the margins scarious. Receptacle flat or convex, naked or hirsute. Corollas of Q flowers slender, tubular, shortly 2—3-lobed; of Q flowers tubular, the limb 5-lobed. Anther-bases obtuse. Style-arms of Q flowers stout or long and slender, of Q shorter and truncate, often penicillate, in sterile flowers often connate. Achenes very small, ellipsoid oblong or subobovoid, faintly striate; pappus Q.

1. Artemisia parviflora, Buch.-Ham. ex Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 322. A. glabrata, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1111.

E. Gháts, hills of Ganjam: W. Gháts, in Mysore, the Coimbatore Hills, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 3,000 ft.

A shrubby perennial herb.

2. Artemisia vulgaris, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 325. A. indica, Willd., Wt. Ic. t. 1112.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, usually at 3,000-6,000 ft., and especially near villages and on old cultivated lands.

A tall aromatic shrub reaching 5—6 ft. high, often gregarious. The leaves of strong shoots are often 5—6 in. long and 3—4 in. broad.

#### 47. Gynura, Cass.

Succulent herbs, rarely undershrubs, glabrous or hispid. Leaves alternate, entire toothed or pinnatisect. Heads homogamous, not rayed but disciform, solitary or corymbose, bracteolate at the base; flowers all &, fertile, or rarely a few outer Q. Involucre cylindric, bracts 1-seriate, narrow, equal, the margins scarious. Receptacle flat, pitted or shortly fimbrillate. Corollas regular, slender, yellow, tubular; limb slightly enlarged, 5-lobed. Anther-bases entire or subauricled. Stylearms slender; tips long, subulate, hispid. Achenes narrow, manyribbed; pappus hairs many, soft, white.

Stout herbs with usually more than 5—7 heads in the long-peduncled and branched corymbs:—

branched corymbs:—
Root not tuberous; leaves deeply and irregularly pinnatifid or lyrate, auricled at base; heads up to about 9, generally less; achenes sparsely hispid between the ribs.

Root tuberous; leaves obovate or oblanceolate, entire or more or less deeply sinuately-lobed, the upper cauline only semi-amplexicaul; heads 1—5 usually; achenes villous.

4. Pseudo-china.

1. GYNURA NITIDA, DC. in Wt. Contrib. 24; F. B. I. iii. 333; Wt. Ic. t. 1121.

Hills of the W. Deccan and W. Gháts, at about 3,000-6,000 ft., in dry open forest.

A tall fleshy herb with orange flowers.

2. GYNURA TRAVANCORICA, W. W. Smith in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. vi. 29. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore, at 5,000—6,000 ft.

A tall, very hispid herb with yellow flowers. 3. Gynura lycopersicifolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 334.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill, Ganjam, 4,000 ft. (Fischer); W. Deccan, in Mysore and N. Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills (C. B. Clarke), at low levels, 1,500—4,000 ft., hills of Tinnevelly, usually on river banks in evergreen forests.

A slender erect herb with yellow flowers.

4. GYNURA PSEUDO-CHINA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 334.

W. Gháts, Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight); hills of Travancore. A short-stemmed tuberous-rooted herb.

#### 48. Emilia, Cass.

Annual or perennial herbs, often glaucous, glabrous or with usually crispate pubescence. Leaves alternate, entire toothed or lyrate-pinnatifid, usually auricled and semi-amplexicaul, sometimes simply linear. Heads homogamous, not rayed, all discoid and 3, fertile, solitary or in loose corymbs with long peduncles; no bracteoles. Involucre cylindric; bracts uniseriate, equal, free or cohering, reflexed in fruit. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas slender, tubular, limb dilated, purple or red, lobes 5. Anther-bases obtuse or very minutely tailed. Stylearms, subterete, the hairy tip short and obtuse or long and acute. Achenes subtcrete or angled and 5-ribbed, glabrous pubescent or scabrid on the angles; pappus copious, white, soft, minutely hairy.

Leaves both radical and cauline, the upper cauline only much reduced:—
Heads small, under 5 in. long, few-flowered, the bracts as long, peduncles and often umbellate pedicels long, slender and spreading; leaves and stems soft, fistular, glaucous, glabrous or nearly so, the leaves lyrate-pinnatifid with large terminal lobe, up to 5 in. long, the basal leaves petioled, cauline acutely auricled; corolla-lobes very short; style-arms short with acute tip; achenes hispid on the angles.

2. sonchifolia.

Heads large, 5 in. long or longer, many-flowered, longer than the bracts; radical leaves few, lower cauline many:—

- I. EMILIA SCABRA, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1123. E. sonchifolia var. scabra, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 336.
  - Hills of N. Circars; W. Gháts, above 5,000 ft., sometimes on rocks at high levels.
  - A short crispately pubescent herb with bright red flowers.
- 2. EMILIA SONCHIFOLIA, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 336.
  - All Districts in the plains, and up to 4,000 ft. in the hills, common and often found in rice-fields.
  - A soft straggling herb with purplish flowers.
- 3. EMILIA FLAMMEA, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 336.
  - Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore, at 4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, above 6,000 ft., wide-spread and apparently wild, but probably an escape.

A stout, almost shrubby tall herb with scarlet flowers and very leafy branches.

4. EMILIA ZEYLANICA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 336.

W. Gháts, Pulncy Hills and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, above 4,000 ft.

A slender plant with narrow auricled leaves, said to have purple flowers.

Var. paludosa, Gamble.

W. Gháts, lake-swamps and wet places in the Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft. (Bourne).

A slender water-plant with purple flowers and very narrow leaves, of which few or none radical, the tips hooked, the heads few-flowered.

5. Emilia Ramulosa, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1921, ined.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Fischer), hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, above 5,000 ft. (Beddome, Barber, Rangachari). A wiry subshrubby branching herb.

# 49. Notonia, DC.

Undershrubs, glabrous and more or less fleshy. Leaves alternate, obovate or lanceolate, entire or serrate. Heads large, homogamous, not rayed, all &, fertile, in long-peduncled corymbs; bracteolate or not. Involucre cylindric; bracts uniseriate, equal. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas tubular, slender; limb elongate, cylindric, shortly 5-lobed. Anther-bases entire. Style-arms elongate, tips short, ovate, papillose or hispid. Achenes long, subterete, 10-striate; pappus-hairs copious, white, slender, barbellate.

Stems and leaves fleshy; leaves obovate or oblanceolate or suborbicular, obtuse, variable in size but sometimes reaching 8 in. long, 4 in. broad, quite entire, glaucousgreen; heads 75-1.25 in. long, the bracts 5-75 in. long, broad; corolla-tube slender, 5-7 in. long; achenes glabrous......l. grandiflora. Stems and leaves soft and slightly fleshy; leaves long-petioled, oblong-lanceolate, acuminate, reaching 8 in long, 2—3 in broad, serrate or crenate; heads 5—6 in long, the bracts as long, narrow; corolla-tube slender, 3 in. long; achenes sparsely hairy....

1. Notonia grandiflora, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 337. N. corymbosa, DC.;

Hills of the S. Deccan and Carnatic from Nellore and Cuddapah southwards, westwards to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts in Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly up to 5,000 ft.

A fleshy shrub reaching 5 ft. in height, with pale yellow flowers turning green. It is probable that in dry hot places the heads are few, in damper localities they are often in rather large corymbs (N. corymbosa, DC.). A Courtallum form has much thicker stems and nearly orbicular leaves.

2. NOTONIA WALKERI, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 337. Gynura Walkeri,

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in Shola forests above 7,000 ft.

A tall shrubby plant reaching 7 ft. in height, with large corymbs of yellowish-white flowers.

#### 50. Senecio, Linn.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs. Leaves radical or alternate, entire or variously divided. Heads heterogamous rayed, or sometimes homogamous not rayed, usually yellow, solitary corymbose or recurved; rayflowers Q, fertile or neuter, disk-flowers &, fertile. Involucre of 1-seriate or nearly 2-seriate equal erect bracts, free or connate at the base, usually with short bracteoles below them. Receptacle flat or convex, naked, pitted or fimbrillate. Corollas of Q flowers tubular below, ending in spreading ligules, which are sometimes small but usually large and prominently ribbed; of & tubular, with a 5-fid campanulate limb. Anther-bases obtuse or auricled or minutely tailed. Style-arms of & flowers recurved, the tips truncate or penicillate or shortly pointed. Achenes subterete or those of outer flowers compressed, 5—10-ribbed; pappus copious or not, usually soft and white, smooth scabrid or barbellate.

Erect herbs, all with yellow flowers:-

Ligules present and usually conspicuous, yellow:-

All flowers, both Q ray and f disk, with pappus to the achenes and fertile; heads in corymbs with small bracteoles at the base of the involucre and on the ultimate branches:—

Corymbs lax, spreading, with long peduncles and its branches; leaves distant,

long:-

Pappus sordid; radical leaves rosulate, obovate obovate-oblong or spathulate, crenate, subpinnatifid or subentire; cauline linear-oblong or spathulate, lobulate, auricled at base, up to 7 in. long, 1—1.5 in. broad; bracts lanceolate, 10—14, acute, 3-nerved; achenes villous or puberulous.

Pappus white: -

Corymbs close, very bracteolate; leaves short, all cauline and with strongly

recurved margins; achenes ribbed, glabrous:-

Ray-flowers Q without pappus to the achenes, usually sterile, disk-flowers with pappus, fertile; heads with bracteoles below the involucre and on the pedicels:—

Leaves not white and cottony beneath:-

Leaves entire, serrate, often deeply, but not pinnatifid:-

Basal leaves petioled, oblanceolate or spathulate, cauline sessile, lanceolate from an amplexicaul base, all regularly shortly dentate, glabrous, 2—3.5 in. long, 5 in. broad; heads small, 5 in. broad, the ligules about

Leaves pinnatifid:—
Leaves lyrate, with broadly ovate or orbicular end lobe, smaller lower lobes and broadly auricled basal one, all lobulate, hispid-pubescent, about 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; heads 5 in. broad, the ligules 4-nerved; bracts narrow, acuminate, glabrous or crispate; achenes all similar, 5-angled, nearly glabrous; pappus sordid

Leaves deeply pinnatifid with about 3 pairs of mucronate side lobes, rarely over 1 in. long, usually thickly crispate-hispid, margins reflexed; heads 8 in. broad, the 8 ligules 4-nerved; bracts 10—15, lanceolate, acuminate, crispate-hispid; pappus yellow

Leaves pinnatifid or bipinnatifid with many lobes not mucronate, up to 2 in. long, glabrous or nearly so, margins often reflexed; heads small, about 4 in. broad, the 6—10 ligules 4-nerved; bracts about 12, obovate, cuspidate, glabrous except the ciliate tips; pappus yellowish.

11. tenuifolius.

Leaves white beneath with cottony tomentum:—
Leaves pale and cottony above, densely white-tomentose beneath, rhomboid or ovate-lanceolate irregularly toothed, the petiole auricled, up to 2 in. long, '75 in. broad; heads nearly 1 in. in diam., the ligules about 12, long and narrow, 4-nerved; bracts 20 or more, lanceolate, acuminate, scarious on the margins; achenes angled, shortly pilose; pappus soft, white.

Climbing shrubs or undershrubs; achenes with pappus:—
No ligulate flowers, all &; leaves orbicular or ovate, cordate, 3—5-ribbed from the base:—

Ligulate flowers present; ligules yellow:—
Leaves long-petioled, membranous, ovate, cordate, sinuate-dentate, glabrous above, densely white cottony tomentose beneath, 5—7-ribbed; heads large, about 1 in. in diam., ligules obovate, 5-nerved; bracts many, unequal, membranous, densely white-cottony on the back; achenes oblong, ribbed

Leaves with hastate or cordate terminal leaflets, base with reniform stipulate auricles, sometimes a few small intermediate lobes; stems angled and flexuose,

even zigzag; heads yellow, in terminal and axillary divaricately branched corymbs; achenes of \$\frac{\phi}{2}\$ flowers linear, \$4\—5\-\text{ribbed}\$, scabrid on the ribs:\—\text{Stem}\$, leaves and inflorescence, including bracts, white-cottony tomentose; leaves up to 3.5 in. long, l in. broad, coriaceous, dentate, the auricle large and rounded; heads 5 in. in diam., many-flowered; achenes of \$\frac{\phi}{2}\$ flowers broadly oblong, glabrous but ciliate, deeply 2\—3\-\text{furrowed}\$ on back, the inner face with a bifid rib.\text{line}\$ 17. candicans. Stem, leaves and inflorescence, including bracts, glabrous or nearly so; achenes of \$\phi\$ flowers flattened, narrow, the inner face with a slight rib, nearly glabrous:\text{—}

1. Senecio nudicaulis, Buch.-Ham. in Don Prodr. 179; F. B. I. iii. 340. Hills of N. Circars from Ganjam to the Godavari, above 3,000 ft. (W. Elliot, Gamble).

A scapigerous "Ragwort."

2. Senecio Zeylanicus, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 340.

W. Gháts, in the Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore, in wet places above 5,000 ft.

A slender very narrowly-leaved herb.

 Senecio neelgherryanus, DC. in Wt. Contrib. 23; F. B. I. 341; Wt. Ic. t. 1132.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., in Shola forest margins.

The Nilgiri "Ragwort." A Kundahs form has the leaves very white cottony beneath.

4. SENECIO LAVANDULAEFOLIUS, DC. in Wt. Contrib. 23; F. B. I. iii. 343; Wt. Ic. t. 1133.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., on the downs. An erect single-stemmed herb, about 6 in. to 1 ft. high, the closely set leaves giving the stem a spindle shape.

5. Senecio Lawsoni, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920, 342.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Kundahs about 7,500 ft., on grassy downs between Avalanché and Sispara (Lawson, Gamble).

A very slender herb about 12-15 in. high.

6. Senecio Wightii, Benth. S. saxatilis, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 344, not of Wall. Doronicum Wightii, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1124.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills above 6,000 ft. in wet places; Chikanhalli in Mysore, at 3,000 ft. (Meebold).

The swamp Ragwort, the heads in long-peduncled lax corymbs.

7. Senecio polycephalus, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 344. Doronicum Arnottii, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1125.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft., on the downs. A pretty species with scapose habit and rather few heads.

8. Senecio Lessingianus, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 344. Doronicum Lessingianum, W. & A.; Wt. Ic. t. 1126.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft.

A handsome species with leafy stems and few large heads on long peduncles.

Senecio ludens, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 345.
 Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 5,000 ft., usually in damp places; hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly in grass land.
 A slender erect herb, with bright yellow flowers in few-flowered corymbs.

10. Senecio Hohenackeri, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 345. Doronicum Candolleanum, W. & A.; Wt. Ic. t. 1127.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills at 5,000—7,000 ft., on open downs. A branching small undershrub up to about 18 in. high with woody rootstock.

Var. rupestris, Gamble. Doronicum rupestre, Wt. Ic. t. 1128.
 Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly, in clefts of rocks.
 A smaller plant with narrower less hispid leaves and larger flower-heads and ligules.

11. Senecio tenuifolius, Burm. f. Fl. Ind. 181 t. 60, fig. 4; F. B. I. iii. 345. Doronicum tenuifolium, Wt. Ic. t. 1129.

Deccan and Carnatic, in most dry Districts south of the Kistna, westwards to the E. slopes of the Gháts, up to 5,000 ft.

A slender much-branched annual with leaves cut into very narrow lobes, the achenes white-villous.

Senecio Edgeworthii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 346. Doronicum tomentosum, Wt. Ic. t. 1151 a.
 W. Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore at 4,000—5,000 ft.; W. Gháts from S. Canara to Wynaad and W. Nilgiris, at 5,000 ft. An erect very white undershrub, the corymbs with few heads.

13. Senecio Dalzellii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 346.
Bababudan hills of Mysore (Law).
An erect herb with small heads on slender peduncles.

14. Senecio Walkeri, Arn. Pug. 31; Wt. Ic. t. 1131. S. araneosus, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 351.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills up to 7,000 ft., scarce in Nilgiris.

A rather slender climber with heads in corymbose clusters on the branches of axillary and terminal panicles; flowers reddish (?).

 Senecio corymbosus, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 351; Wt. Ic. t. 1130, Ill. t. 115.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,500 ft. (Beddome, Gamble); W. Gháts, from the Nilgiris southwards, above 5,000 ft.

A stouter plant than the former, to which it is very similar except in tomentum.

Flowers white or yellowish, the heads on terminal branchlets often few-flowered and in laxer corymbs.

16. Senecio calcadensis, Ramas, in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. vi. 138, t. 1. W. Gháts, Calcad Hills of Tinnevelly, at about 2,500 ft. (Hooper and Ramaswami), in evergreen forest.

A large climbing shrub with light yellow flowers.

17. Senecio candicans, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 352; Wt. Ic. t. 1134.
N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,500 ft.; Deccan,

Nandidrúg in Mysore; W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 4,000 ft. A pretty subshrubby climber, white-woolly and conspicuous;

the Q achenes very characteristic.

18. Senecio intermedius, Wt. Ic. t. 1135. S. scandens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 352, not of Buch.-Ham. in D. Don Prod., in part.

Deccan, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, hills of N. Coimbatore at 4,000-6,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Nílgiri Hills, in the Kundahs at 7.000 ft.

A pretty climber, subshrubby among bushes, with rather large leaves and prominent auricles.

19. Senecio Wightianus, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1136. S. scandens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 352 in part.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore about 4,000 ft. A slender climber with zig-zag stems and rather small flower-

heads, the leaves sometimes pinnate or pinnatifid.

Senecio vulgaris, Linn., the Groundsel, has established itself in gardens and on roadsides in the Nilgiris and will probably spread to other hilly parts of S. India.

#### 51. Echinops, Linn.

Thistle-like herbs with white tomentum. Leaves alternate, pinnatifid, spinous. Heads in globose involucrate clusters, white or blue, sessile or shortly stipitate on a common receptacle, 1-flowered. Flowers Involucre oblong; bracts many-seriate, rigid, pungent or some spinescent, outer shorter often hair-like, middle ones spathulate, inner linear or lanceolate, sometimes connate in a tube with I rigid spine. Receptacle minute. Corolla-tube slender, limb with 5 slender lobes. Anther-bases sagittate, the auricles connate, tails entire or fimbriate. Style-arms thick, with a thick basal ring, at length spreading. Achenes elongate, villous; pappus of many short, free or connate, bristles.

ECHINOPS ECHINATUS, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 358.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry Districts, in fields, grass

lands and open forests and on roadsides.

A branched spreading conspicuous annual with spinous heads up to 2 in. in diam., the flowers white, the leaves up to 7 in. long with triangular pinnatifid spinous lobes.

# 52. Cnicus, Linn.

Erect, simple or branching thistles. Leaves alternate, often decurrent, serrate or pinnatifid, spinous. Heads solitary, peduncled or subsessile, scattered or crowded, homogamous, flowers all 3 and fertile, rarely dioecious. Involucre ovoid hemispheric or globose; bracts manyseriate, appressed, erect spreading or recurved and spinescent, outer foliaceous. Receptacle flat or convex, densely bristly. Corollas white yellow or red, slenderly tubular, the limb with 5 slender lobes. Antherbases sagittate, the auricles connate, tails slender. Style-arms short. obtuse. Achenes obovoid, obtusely 4-angled, smooth or 5-10-ribbed, truncate or umbonate at top; pappus copious, feathery, the longer hairs usually clavellate.

CNICUS WALLICHII, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 363. Var. Wightii, Hook. f. Cirsium argyracanthum, Wt. Ic. t. 1137-8.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore,

above 5,000 ft., on open downs.

A tall thistle with very spinous leaves, glabrous or white-tomentose beneath, bracts with dilated and then spinous tips and pale purple flowers. It may reach a height of 6—7 ft.

#### 53. Goniocaulon, Cass.

An erect glabrous branched annual, stem acutely 4—8-angled. Leaves alternate, oblong, serrate, glandular-dotted. Heads homogamous, narrow, in fascicles and corymbs; flowers all & fertile. Involucre oblong from a narrow base; bracts many-seriate, pale, narrow, rigid, not spinous, the inner elongate, the outer gradually shorter. Receptacle very narrow, paleaceous. Corolla-tube slender, limb long, cylindric, 5-lobed to the middle or lower, the lobes narrow. Anther-bases sagittate, connate, shortly tailed, tips long; filaments hairy. Style-arms filiform. Achenes glabrous, oblong, subcylindric, about 20-ribbed; pappus paleaceous, the scales many-seriate, oblanceolate, unequal.

GONIOCAULON GLABRUM, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 377. Amberboa indica, Wt. Ic. t. 479.

Deccan and Carnatic, on fallow fields and black cotton soil, often gregarious and simulating a cultivated crop.

An erect annual with rose-coloured flowers and oblong leaves.

# 54. Tricholepis, DC.

Annual or perennial branched herbs. Leaves alternate, entire toothed or sublyrate, often punctate. Heads terminal on the branchlets, homogamous, flowers all f. fertile. Involucre ovoid; bracts many-seriate, very narrow, imbricate, the outer gradually shorter, all aristate-acuminate or the outer mucronate, spreading or recurved. Receptacle flat or convex, densely bristly. Corollas yellow red or purple, regular or slightly oblique; tube slender, limb 5-lobed to the middle. Anther-bases sagittate, the auricles connate, tails slender, lacerate; filaments papillose-hairy. Style-arms slender. Achenes oblong or obovoid, smooth, ribbed, the basal areole lateral and hollowed; pappus of stiff, paleaceous or feathery, very unequal scales or 0.

Pappus-scales many, achenes oblong:—
Stems prominently leafy; basal leaves obovate, cauline oblong, sometimes spathulate, all coarsely toothed, the teeth mucronate, the bases semi-amplexicaul, up to 2.5 in. long, 1 in. broad; pappus scales subpaleaceous, serrulate...1. radicans. Stems sparsely leafy; leaves all linear-oblong, shortly mucronate-serrate, the bases auricled, up to 4 in. long, 5 in. broad; pappus scales soft feathery

- 1. TRICHOLEPIS RADICANS, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 381.
  - Deccan and Carnatic, up to 3,500 ft. in the hills, on fallow fields and in open forest land.

A slender branching herb with purple flowers and angular stem.

- 2. Tricholepis glaberrima, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 381.
  - W. Gháts, in S. Canara, Coorg and the hills of Mysore.

An erect glabrous herb with purple flowers and angular stem.

- 3. Tricholepis angustifolia, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 382.
  - W. Coast, in S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore.

An erect herb with long slender angular branches and pink flowers in solitary heads.

- 4. Tricholepis amplexicaulis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 381.
  - W. Coast in Canara (South?) (Law).

A tall erect leafy herb reaching 5 ft. in height with purple flowers in many heads, the stems ribbed and sometimes scaberulous.

#### 55. Volutarella, Cass.

Annual herbs, dichotomously branched. Leaves alternate, entire toothed or pinnatifid. Heads subsolitary, heterogamous; outer flowers 1-seriate, neuter; disk-flowers 2, fertile. Involucre ovoid or globose; bracts many-seriate, the innermost narrow, acute, the outer shorter, awned or spinescent. Receptacle flat, densely bristly. Corollas regular, purple violet or blue; tube slender, limb cylindric, deeply 5-lobed. Anther-tails sagittate, the auricles connate, shortly tailed. Style-arms free or connate, hairy below them. Achenes obovoid or oblong, subterete or angled, ribbéd, often pitted between the ribs, the basal areole oblique or lateral; pappus of many unequal bristles, the innermost 2—4 long, dilated and flattened, the outer gradually shorter.

Volutarella divaricata, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 383. Tricholepis procumbens, Wt. Ic. t. 1139.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, up to 2,000 ft., on dry stony ground

and sandy river banks.

A stiff straggling herb with pale purple flowers and usually oblong or obovate pinnatifid undulately lobed leaves. The spinous bracts are rather troublesome.

Carthamus tinctorius, Linn., the Safflower, is not much cultivated in Madras, but is found here and there, especially on black cotton soil. The corollas of the flowers are used as a dye for silks and the achenes give an oil. Vern. Hind. Kusam; Tel. Kusamba; Tam. Sendurkem.

# 56. Dicoma, Cass.

Herbs or low shrubs. Leaves alternate. Heads subsessile on the branches or in the axils of the upper leaves, or leaf-opposed, rarely corymbose; homogamous and discoid with all the flowers ? or heterogamous with the outer flowers ?, all fertile or the innermost sterile. Involucre globose conic or subcampanulate; bracts many-seriate, imbri-

cate, ovate lanceolate or linear, acuminate or spinescent, outer shorter. Receptacle flat, naked, often pitted. Corollas of  $\, \circ \,$  flowers, if present, slender, subligulate, of  $\, \circ \,$  flowers tubular, the limb 5-lobed, the lobes erect or revolute. Anther-bases sagittate, tails long, more or less bearded. Style-arms short, erect, obtuse. Achenes turbinate, densely silky-villous, 5—10-ribbed; pappus-hairs many-seriate, feathery, the inner or all flat, the outer paleaceous or of slender bristles.

DICOMA TOMENTOSA, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 387. D. lanuginosa, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1140.

Deccan and Carnatic, on gravelly soils and laterite, in dry country. An erect branching undershrub with white or pale yellow corollas, the leaves soft, linear or linear-obovate, densely white-tomentose, the heads subaxillary, spinescent.

## 57. Picris, Linn.

Erect branched hispid herbs. Leaves alternate or radical, entire toothed or pinnatifid. Heads terminal on the branches of a corymb or solitary, long-peduncled, homogamous. Involucre suburceolate or campanulate; inner bracts 1-seriate, subequal, outer many-seriate, herbaceous, or the outermost broad and foliaceous. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas yellow, ligules truncate, 5-toothed. Anther-bases sagittate, acute or shortly setaceous. Style-arms slender. Achenes narrow, incurved, glabrous, compressed or angled, 5—10-ribbed, the spaces between the ribs transversely barred, all similar or the outer with a shorter point and obsolete pappus; pappus usually copious, with one series of feathery soft hairs.

Picris Hieracioides, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 393; Wt. Ic. t. 1143. W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 5,000 ft. An erect coarse herb reaching 4 ft. in height, with rough hispid stem, spathulate petioled base and oblong sessile cauline leaves, the bracts with stiff black hairs down the midrib.

# 58. Hypochaeris, Linn.

Annual or perennial scapigerous herbs. Leaves rosulate, entire toothed or pinnatifid. Heads long-peduncled, solitary, homogamous. Involucre subcampanulate; bracts many-seriate, appressed, unequal, the outer shorter. Receptacle flat; paleae narrow, usually hyaline. Corollas yellow, ligules truncate, 5-toothed. Anther-bases sagittate, auricles acuminate. Style-arms slender, slightly obtuse. Achenes of two kinds, the outer truncate at tip, not beaked, the inner fusiform and long-beaked, all 10-ribbed and transversely barred between the ribs; pappus feathery, 1-seriate with a few shorter outer hairs.

Hypochaeris glabra, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 401.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills above 6,000 ft., an introduced European species now run wild; Devicolam, Travancore, 4,500 ft. (K. Venkoba Row).

A scapigerous herb with many slender flowering stems and rosettes of oblong or pinnatifid leaves reaching 6 in. long.

## 59. Crepis, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves radical or alternate, cauline often amplexicaul, entire toothed or pinnatifid. Heads peduncled, solitary fascicled or corymbose, homogamous. Involucre cylindric or campanulate; bracts either many-seriate and imbricate, or 1-seriate with some shorter and outer, base or midrib sometimes thickened after flowering. Receptacle flat, naked or shortly fimbrillate. Corollas yellow or red; ligules truncate, 5-toothed. Anther-bases sagittate, auricles acute. Style-arms slender. Achenes more or less fusiform or oblong, rarely short and cylindric, ribbed, glabrous or scaberulous, the tip narrowed or beaked; pappus copious, short or long, of simple, soft silvery, rarely brownish and stiff, hairs.

- 1. Crepis Japonica, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 395. Youngia napifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1147.
  - N. Circars, hills of Ganjam; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly above 5,000 ft.

A very slender annual with minute yellow flowers.

2. CREPIS FUSCIPAPPA, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 395.

W. Gháts, Avalanché and Sispara, Nilgiris, about 7,000 ft. (Lawson, Gamble).

A slender annual with yellow flowers and long-acuminate leaves. 3. CREPIS ACAULIS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 396. *Microrhynchus glabra*,

Wt. Ic. t. 1145.
N. Circars, hills of Ganjam, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri (Fischer and Gage); W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at various levels.

A scapigerous perennial with yellow flowers in cylindric heads.

#### 60. Lactuca, Linn.

Glabrous or hispid milky herbs. Leaves radical and alternate, entire toothed pinnatifid or pinnate, cauline often amplexicaul and auricled. Heads homogamous, sessile or peduncled, panicled corymbose racemose or spicate. Involucre cylindric, usually narrow; bracts usually few-seriate, thinly herbaceous, the inner elongate, the outer short. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas yellow pink or blue; ligules truncate, 5-toothed at apex. Anther-bases sagittate, auricles acute or setaceous. Style-arms slender. Achenes ovoid-oblong or narrow, compressed or

flattened, beaked; the faces ribbed, smooth or rugose; beak slender or short and cylindric, dilated into the pappiferous disk; pappus copious, the hairs very slender and usually soft and white, sometimes with a minute outer ring.

Glabrous herb with mostly radical leaves and heads in spikes or racemes on the long erect almost naked branches of the flowering stems; leaves runcinate-pinnatifid, the lobes deflexed, margins minutely spinulose-serrate, up to 12 in. long; achenes black, fusiform, ribbed, the ribs muriculate, the beak ending in a cup-shaped disk

Glabrous or hispid herb with chiefly cauline leaves and heads in terminal paniculate racemes; leaves polymorphous but usually pinnatifid with a large hastate terminal lobe, the petiole slender or winged and auricled at base; achenes dark brown, flattened, 3-ribbed on either side, the beak ending in a flattened disk...2. hastata.

1. Lactuca runcinata, DC. in Wt. Contrib. 26. L. Heyneana, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 403. Brachyramphus Heyneanus, Wt. Ic. t. 1146.

Most plains Districts, in fields and hedges and on old walls and among rocks.

A tall glabrous herb with pinkish-white flowers.

2. Lactuca Hastata, DC.; F. B. I. iii. 407. Mulgedium neilgheryense, Wt. Ic. t. 1144.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, about 7,000 ft., in open spots in Shola forest.

A tall herb with bluish-purple flowers.

Lactuca sativa, Linn., the Lettuce, is regularly cultivated as a vege-

table and salad plant. Vern. Hind. Kahir, Salád.

Taraxacum officinale, Wigg.; F. B. I. iii. 401, the Dandelion, is found as a weed both in Nilgiris and Pulneys, but so far is not very common, though likely to spread.

## 61. Sonchus, Linn.

Annual or perennial milky herbs. Leaves radical or alternate, the cauline often amplexicaul and auricled, entire toothed or pinnatifid, margins usually spinulose-toothed. Heads homogamous, terminal, subcorymbose umbellate or panicled. Involucre ovoid campanulate or cylindric, often thickened at the base; bracts many-seriate, herbaceous, the outer smaller. Receptacle flat, naked. Corollas yellow, the ligules truncate and 5-toothed at apex. Anther-bases sagittate, auricles setaceo-acuminate. Style-arms slender. Achenes ovoid obovoid or ellipsoid, more or less compressed, ribbed, slightly contracted at base and apex but not beaked, smooth or transversely rugose; pappus copious, many-seriate, the hairs white, soft and silky, united at base in a deciduous ring.

Annual; leaves with acute spreading auricles, usually runcinate-pinnatifid; bracts glabrous or nearly so; achenes obovoid, ribbed, transversely muriculate

 Sonchus oleraceus, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 414. S. ciliatus, Lam.; Wt. Ic. t. 1141.

Most Districts, especially in the hills and up to 8,000 ft., on roadsides, in gardens and cultivated lands, probably an introduction.

A fleshy milky herb.

2. Sonchus arvensis, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 414. S. Wightianus, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1142.

Hilly Districts, occasional, in cultivated lands, probably an introduction.

A tall perennial, the leaves mostly radical.

#### 62. Launaea, Cass.

Perennial glabrous herbs, usually with yellow juice. Leaves chiefly radical, sinuate-lobed or pinnatifid, the margins often with cartilaginous or subspinous teeth. Heads homogamous, peduncled or subsessile, solitary fascicled racemose or paniculate. Involucre campanulate or cylindric; bracts many-seriate, herbaceous, often with scarious margins, the innermost subequal, the outer gradually shorter. Receptacle flat. naked. Corollas yellow, the ligules truncate and 5-toothed at apex. Anther-bases sagittate, the auricles acute or shortly setaceous. Stylearms slender. Achenes narrow, subterete angled or slightly flattened. rarely winged, truncate at both ends or rarely emarginate; ribs 4-5, stout, close-set, smooth papillose or narrowly winged; pappus copious, of simple very slender white many-seriate hairs, connate at base in a deciduous ring.

Stems and branches not rooting at the nodes; heads more or less racemose, solitary or fascicled on the flowering stem; leaves obovate-oblong, pinnatifid with rounded or obtuse segments, up to about 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, the margins with Stems and branches long, flagelliform, leaf-bearing and rooting at the nodes; heads solitary or fascicled at the nodes; leaves oblong, runcinate-pinnatifid or sinuate-lobed, up to 3 in. long, 5 in. broad, the teeth often white and cartilaginous; 

1. LAUNAEA NUDICAULIS, Less.; F. B. I. iii. 416. Deccan and Carnatic, in hot dry Districts as Bellary (Rangachari), Palamcottah in Tinnevelly (Wight). A perennial scapigerous herb.

2. LAUNAEA PINNATIFIDA, Cass.; F. B. I. iii. 416. Microrhynchus sarmentosus, Wt. Ill. t. 133. E. and W. Coasts, on sandy sea-shores.

A trailing plant, useful as a sandbinder (cf. Clegh. Madr. Journ. i. t. 5), though rather weak.

Besides the many introduced plants which have been described or mentioned as having practically become part of the Flora of S. India, there are many others which are cultivated in gardens and in some cases have run wild in their neighbourhood. Few gardens in the plains are without some of the species of Helianthus, Zinnia, Coreopsis, Tagetes, Gaillardia, Chrysanthemum, Calendula; Callistephus and Dahlia of various colours may be seen in and about the hill stations running wild on the slopes. Many others that have been introduced and grown might be mentioned. There are some species of Compositae that are grown occasionally as vegetables, besides those that have been already mentioned. Among them would come *Helianthus tube-rosus*, Linn., the Jerusalem Artichoke, etc.

#### Family LXXXVII. GOODENIACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, juice not milky. Leaves alternate or radical, rarely opposite; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, regular or irregular, axillary or terminal, solitary or in spikes, racemes or panicles. Calyxtube adnate to the ovary or rarely free; limb 5-lobed or nearly obsolete. Corolla-lobes 5, valvate in bud. Stamens 5, alternate with the corolla-lobes, inserted at the base of the corolla. Ovary 1—2-celled; ovules in each cell 1 or many, on the dissepiment; style simple with a cupshaped sheath including the stigma. Fruit a drupe or capsule. Seeds albuminous, embryo straight, radicle inferior.

#### Scaevola, Linn.

1. Scaevola frutescens, Krause. S. Koenigii, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 421. S. Taccada, Roxb.; Wt. Ill. t. 137.

W. Coast, near the sea.

A large shrub with large fleshy leaves, white flowers in axillary cymes and a white somewhat lobed drupe, '75 in. in diam. Vern. *Mar.* Bhadrak.

2. Scaevola Plumieri, Vahl. S. Lobelia, Murr.; F. B. I. iii. 421. S. uvifera, Stocks; Wt. Ic. t. 1613.

Sea coast near Tuticorin in Tinnevelly (Wight, Rangachari). A small branching shrub with rather small fleshy leaves, yellowish flowers in small cymes and a smooth purple drupe 5 in. in diam.

## Family LXXXVIII. CAMPANULACEAE.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs, erect or climbing, often with milky juice. Leaves alternate or rarely opposite, entire toothed or rarely lobed; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, rarely unisexual by abortion, axillary or terminal, solitary racemose or paniculate; bracts small, bracteoles usually 0. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; limb 4—6-partite,

usually persistent. Corolla superior, tubular rotate or campanulate, sometimes bilabiate, lobes as many as those of the calyx, valvate. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes and alternate with them, inserted on the epigynous disk or (in Sphenoclea) on the corolla-tube; anthers free or united in a tube. Ovary 2-5-celled; placentas axile, manyovuled; style simple, cylindric; stigma-lobes as many as the ovary cells. Fruit a capsule or berry, sometimes indehiscent and dry. Seeds very many, small, albuminous; testa thin; embryo straight, axial, radicle inferior.

Corolla zygomorphic, 2-lipped; anthers connate:—	
Fruit an indehiscent berry1.	Pratia.
Fruit a capsule, 2-valved at the crown	Lobelia.
Corolla actinomorphic; anthers free:—	
Capsule loculicidally dehiscent within the calyx-teeth; flowers lax:-	
Corolla rotate, deeply cleft, with linear lobes; stigma capitate	

3. Cephalostigma. Corolla campanulate, the lobes short; stigma lobed......4. Wahlenbergia. Capsule circumscissile; flowers in a dense cylindric spike.................5. Sphenoclea. Capsule dehiscing at the base or sides below the calyx-teeth; corolla campanu-

#### 1. Pratia, Gaud.

Herbs. Leaves alternate, toothed. Flowers solitary, axillary, peduncled. Calyx-limb 5-lobed. Corolla oblique, 2-lipped, the upper lip 2partite, the lower 3-lobed. Staminal tube free or nearly so; anthers connate, the 2 lower with terminal bristles. Ovary inferior, 2-celled; placentas hemispheric; stigma 2-lobed or emarginate. Fruit ellipsoid, indehiscent, crowned with the calyx-lobes. Seeds very many, minute.

Pratia begonifolia, Lindl.; F. B. I. iii. 422.

W. Gháts, Shembaganur, Madura, at 6,000 ft. (Saulière).

A small trailing and rooting herb with ovate cordate leaves about 5 in. long, a corolla green marked with pink and a soft black ellipsoid berry.

#### 2. Lobelia, Linn.

Herbs of various sizes, from very small to large and tall, or undershrubs. Leaves alternate, usually toothed. Flowers on axillary, 1-flowered, sometimes subracemose peduncles; bracts leafy; bracteoles small or 0. Calyx superior; limb 5-partite. Corolla oblique, 2-lipped, the upper 2-partite, the lower 3-lobed. Staminal-tube free or nearly so; anthers connate, 2 or all penicillate at the apex. Ovary inferior, 2-celled; placentas hemispheric; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a loculicidally 2-valved capsule within the calyx-teeth. Seeds very many, minute, ellipsoid, compressed or trigonous.

Small herbs with small flowers:-

Seeds trigonous; anthers all penicillate at tip; leaves ovate, denticulate, subsessile,

Seeds not trigonous; two anthers only penicillate at tip:-Seeds compressed; leaves ovate or elliptic, subsessile, obtuse and then narrowed Seeds ovoid; leaves oblong or rhomboid, narrowed at base, crenate, sessile 

- - 1. Lobella Trigona, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 423; Wt. Ic. t. 1170.

    All plains Districts, in wet places, also in the Hills, common.

    A glabrous annual, up to about 1 ft. high, rooting near the base and often prostrate, with pale blue or violet flowers.
  - LOBELIA TRIALATA, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iii. 425.
     Hills of the N. Circars, Deccan and W. Gháts, above 3,000 ft., less common in plains.
     A glabrous annual, up to 15 in. high, with winged stems and pale blue flowers.
- 3. Lobelia Zeylanica, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 425.

  Deccan, in Mysore (Meebold); W. Gháts, in the Anamalais and hills of Travancore.

  An erect or more or less prostrate herb with scattered hairs on
- the leaves and bluish flowers, rather large.

  4. Lobelia Nicotianaefolia, Heyne; F. B. I. iii. 427; Wt. Ill. t. 135.
- W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 3,000—7,000 ft. A large perennial or biennial herb reaching 5—12 ft. high, the stems hollow, the inflorescence a long cylindric raceme with large white flowers, tinged with lilac.

Var. trichandra, C. B. Clarke. L. trichandra, Wt. Ic. t. 1171. More slender, more branching and lax, the anthers with white hairs on their backs.

- W. Gháts, Nilgiris to hills of Tinnevelly, at about 3,000—4,000 ft.
- 5. Lobelia excelsa, Lesch.; F. B. I. iii. 427; Wt. Ic. tt. 1173—4. L. aromatica, Moon; Wt. Ic. t. 1172.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 6,000 ft.

A large usually biennial herb, similar to the last but with a much denser raceme of flowers, which are pale yellow tinged with purple, the leaves thick and softly tawny-villous.

## 3. Cephalostigma, A. DC.

Slender erect annual herbs, often hispidly hairy. Leaves alternate, subsessile, the margin thickened, entire waved or crisped. Flowers very small, in lax racemes or panicles; pedicels filiform; bracts very small. Calyx superior; limb 5-partite. Corolla deeply 5-fid; lobes linear lanceolate, usually blue or whitish. Stamens 5, free from the corolla; filaments dilated at the base; anthers free. Ovary inferior, subglobose, 2—3-celled; style cylindric; stigma shortly obtusely 3-lobed. Fruit a loculicidally 2—3-valved capsule, opening within the persistent calyxteeth. Seeds very many, small, ellipsoid, compressed or trigonous.

Seeds oblong-ellipsoid, compressed; capsule hispid:—
Stem erect, up to 16 in. long, with few branches, occasionally with many from near the base; leaves oblong, acute, undulate, distantly mucronate-dentate;

1. CEPHALOSTIGMA SCHIMPERI, Hochst.; F. B. I. iii. 428. Wahlenbergia perotifolia, W. & A. 405; Wt. Ic. t. 842.

N. Circars, Deccan and W. Gháts, in hilly country, up to 5,000 ft., usually in shady places or among rocks, sometimes in open

sandy lands.

A slender annual with bluish flowers, usually erect and little branched, but sometimes much branched when growing in open places.

- 2. CEPHALOSTIGMA FLEXUOSUM, Hook. f. & Th.; F. B. I. iii. 428. Deccan, Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law), hills of N. Coimbatore at 3,700 ft. (Fischer), Ramandrúg in Bellary (Lawson). A slender annual with yellow flowers (Lawson).
- 3. CEPHALOSTIGMA HOOKERI, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 429. W. Gháts, Kumili in Travancore at 3,000 ft. (Meebold). A slender herb with blue flowers.

#### 4. Wahlenbergia, Schrad.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate or opposite. Flowers on terminal or leaf-opposed peduncles, solitary or panicled; bracts minute. Calyx superior, limb 5-partite. Corolla campanulate, 5-lobed, sometimes to near the base. Stamens 5, free from the corolla; filaments often dilated near the base; anthers oblong, free. Ovary turbinate, 2—3-celled; style cylindric; stigma 2—5-, usually 3-lobed. Fruit a capsule, loculicidally 2—3-valved within the persistent calyx-teeth. Seeds very many, minute.

Wahlenbergia gracilis, Schrad.; F. B. I. iii. 429. W. agrestis, A.

DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1175.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, up to 7,000 ft.

An erect perennial herb with blue flowers on long peduncles and linear leaves.

## 5. Sphenoclea, Gaertn.

An erect annual glabrous marsh herb. Leaves alternate, lanceo-late, entire. Flowers small, sessile, in dense terminal or leaf-opposed peduncled spikes, each with 1 bract and 2 bracteoles. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary, hemispheric; limb 5-lobed, the lobes ovate. Corolla campanulate, 5-lobed, the lobes valvate. Stamens 5, on the base of the corolla; filaments shortly dilated at base; anthers short, free. Ovary semi-inferior, 2-celled; ovules many, on axile placentas; style short; stigma obscurely 2-lobed. Fruit a membranous depressed-globose capsule circumsciss at the margin of the calyx-tube, the crown and calyx-lobes deciduous. Seeds very numerous, minute, oblong.

SPHENOCLEA ZEYLANICA, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iii. 438. S. Pongatium, A. DC.; Wt. Ill. t. 138.

Most Districts, in swampy places, especially near the coast. A stout herb reaching 1—3 ft. in height with oblong-lanceolate, glaucous green leaves up to 3 in. long and greenish-yellow flowers in close spikes.

#### 6. Campanula, Linn.

Perennial or annual herbs, erect or decumbent. Leaves alternate or the radical subrosulate. Flowers blue purple or white, peduncled or subsessile, terminal or axillary or in a terminal usually pyramidal panicle. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary, turbinate; limb deeply 5lobed, sometimes with appendages in the sinuses between the lobes. Corolla campanulate, more or less deeply 5-lobed. Stamens 5, free; filaments dilated at the base; anthers free. Ovary inferior, 3- rarely 4—5-celled; ovules numerous in each cell; style cylindric; stigma shortly 3—5-lobed. Fruit an obovoid or elongate truncate capsule, dehiscing by small valves at the base or on the sides outside the calyxlobes. Seeds very many, minute, ellipsoid or compressed and margined.

Capsule dehiscing by valves at the base:-Erect herbs with subrosulate basal leaves and slender straight stems; flowers very small, dimorphic (one form complete, the other without corolla or stamens);

Herbs with many branches from a stout rootstock:-

Stems up to 15 in. long, rather stout, softly strigosely villous, leafy, with oblanceolate distantly dentate leaves up to 1 in. long; flowers 5 in. long, the Stems up to 8 in. long, slender, tufted, softly villous; leaves ovate, serrate, the lower ones only over 5 in. long; flowers 2—3 in. long, the triangular toothed calyx-lobes scarcely 1 in. long; corolla and stamens often absent

Stems scarcely 6 in. long, many, spreading, wiry, pilose, with very small obovate crenate leaves scarcely 2 in. long; flowers usually solitary at the 3. Wightii. ends of the branchlets, 4 in, long, the ovate calyx-lobes i in. long

4. Alphonsii. Capsule dehiscing by round pores near the top; erect herbs with rosulate basal leaves and distant cauline ones, all ovate or lanceolate, acute, crenate, petioled; flowers in an interrupted spike or raceme, the calyx-lobes linear; corolla cleft to 

1. Campanula canescens, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 439.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 4,000 ft. (Meebold); Hills of Tinnevelly (Hooper and Ramaswami).

A slender delicate herb with very small white flowers, in S.

India (larger in the Himalaya), in shady places.

2. CAMPANULA RAMULOSA, Wall., C. colorata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 440, in part, not of Wall.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, about 7,000 ft.

An erect herb with leafy strigosely hairy stems, lanceolate leaves, calyx-lobes which are toothed and blue flowers, the pedicels

3. CAMPANULA WIGHTH, Gamble n. comb. C. ramulosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1178, not of Wall. C. colorata, C. B. Clarke in F. B. I. iii. 440, in part, not of Wall.

- W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft.
  A soft herb with many slender stems from a thick rootstock, ovate dentate leaves, short calyx-lobes and small purple flowers with short pedicels. It seems to be usually found without corolla or stamens, though fertile.
- CAMPANULA ALPHONSII, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 440, Wt. Ic., t. 1177.
   W. Gháts, Nilgiri, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., in clefts of rocks.
  - A small tufted wiry herb with many stems, the flowers blue.
- CAMPANULA FULGENS, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 442; Wt. Ic. t. 1179.
   W. Gháts, Nilgiri, Anamalai and Pulney Hills above 5,000 ft.;
   Shevaroy Hills of Salem; Bababudan Hills of Mysore.
   An erect herb with racemose terminal inflorescence and purple flowers.

#### Family LXXXIX. VACCINIACEAE.

Shrubs or small trees, often epiphytic. Leaves alternate or falsely whorled, entire or serrate; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, regular, in racemes or solitary axillary; pedicels 1-bracteate and often 2-bracteolate, frequently articulate below the ovary. Calyx-tube ovoid, adnate to the ovary; limb 5-fid, usually persistent. Corolla tubular urceolate or campanulate, 5-lobed, usually deciduous. Stamens 10, epigynous, free; anthers opening by apical pores or produced upwards in 2 tubes opening by slits. Ovary inferior, 5-celled or falsely 10-celled; ovules many; style cylindric; stigma simple. Fruit a 5- or falsely 10-celled berry, rarely dry and indehiscent. Seeds many, rarely 1, in each cell, small, compressed; albumen fleshy; embryo minute.

#### Vaccinium, Linn.

Shrubs, sometimes epiphytic. Leaves alternate. Flowers axillary or terminal, in racemes fascicles or corymbs rarely solitary; bracteate and 2-bracteolate. Calyx-tube globose; teeth 5, small. Corolla tubular or ovoid, white, pink or greenish. Stamens 10, free; anthers produced at the apex in 2 cylindric tubes with terminal openings. Ovary 5-, or apparently but falsely 10-, celled. Berry globose, 5-celled. Seeds 1 or more in each cell, compressed.

1. VACCINIUM NEILGHERRENSE, Wt. Ic. t. 1189; F. B. I. iii. 454.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore, Shevaroy Hills of Salem, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at about 3,000—7,000 ft. in Shola forest or, at lower levels, near streams.

A large shrub, occasionally a small tree with white or rose-coloured scented flowers in rather lax racemes. Bark thin, greyish-brown; wood reddish-brown. Vern. Tam. Kalávu.

2. Vaccinium Leschenaultii, Wt. Ic. t. 1188; F. B. I. iii. 455; Bedd. Fl. t. 227.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore

and Tinnevelly in Sholas above 5,000 ft.

A small pretty tree with ovate leaves and pink flowers in short close racemes. Bark thin, greyish-brown; wood light reddishbrown with pretty silver-grain. Berries edible. Vern. Tam. Kalávu; Badaga, Anduvan.

Var. rotundifolia, C. B. Clarke; Wt. Ill. t. 139. Leaves orbicular,

1-1.5 in. in diam. Nilgiri Hills (Wight, Gardner).

#### Family XC. ERICACEAE.

Trees, shrubs or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate or apparently whorled, entire or serrate; stipules 0. Flowers regular or sometimes slightly irregular, sometimes dimorphous. Calyx usually free, 5-, rarely 4- or 6-lobed. Corolla hypogynous, campanulate cylindric or urceolate, 4-5-lobed or sometimes petals free. Stamens 10, sometimes 5, 8 or 20, hypogynous or slightly attached to the base of the corolla; anthers opening by apical pores or produced upwards in tubes, sometimes dorsally spurred. Ovary 5-celled or rarely 4-16-celled; ovules many; style cylindric; stigma simple or shortly lobed. Fruit a capsule, 5- or more-celled, sometimes appearing baccate from the adherence of the enlarged succulent calyx. Seeds many, small, angled or compressed, albuminous.

Shrub; capsule 5-valved loculicidally, surrounded when ripe by the succulent Tree; capsule 10-valved septicidally, calyx small, not succulent in fruit; flowers large; anthers slightly spurred at base, not at apex................2. Rhododendron.

#### 1. Gaultheria, Linn.

Shrubs, erect or procumbent. Leaves persistent, alternate, serrulate. Flowers small, sometimes dimorphous, in axillary or terminal racemes or solitary; bracteate and 2-bracteolate. Calyx 5-lobed, free, afterwards succulent and enclosing the capsule. Corolla ovoid-tubular or campanulate, greenish-white or reddish; lobes 5, small. Stamens 10; filaments more or less dilated; anther-cells opening by slits at the apex and dorsally 2-spurred; in dimorphic flowers the stamens are small with simple anthers. Ovary 5-celled; ovules many in each cell; style cylindric; stigma simple. Fruit a 5-celled capsule enclosed in the succulent calyx, loculicidally 5-valved from the apex. Seeds many, minute, angled.

GAULTHERIA FRACRANTISSIMA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 457; Bot. Mag. t.

5984. G. Leschenaultii, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1195.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 6.000 ft.

A large shrub with white or greenish flowers in axillary racemes, coriaceous elliptic serrulate leaves and blue succulent berries. Bark light brown, thin; wood light brown. The leaves give an oil like that of the Canadian wintergreen. The fruits are edible.

#### 2. Rhododendron, Linn.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves coriaceous, entire, alternate, often clustered towards the ends of the branches. Flowers usually large, in terminal fascicles or pseudo-corymbs, rarely solitary or axillary; bracts broad, usually caducous; bracteoles linear. Calyx 5-lobed, persistent, usually very small. Corolla campanulate, funnel-shaped or tubular, 5—10-lobed. Stamens 5—18, usually 10; filaments slender; anthers oblong, dehiscing by terminal pores. Ovary 5—20-celled; ovules numerous in each cell; style slender; stigma capitate. Fruit a woody 5—20-celled capsule, dehiscing septicidally, the valves separating from the placentas from above downwards. Seeds very many, ellipsoid, albuminous, the testa often tailed or crested.

RHODODENDRON NILAGIRICUM, Zenk. Pl. Ind. Coimb. t. 15. R. arboreum, var. nilagirica, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 466.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 5,000

ft., in open grass lands.

A tree with beautiful terminal heads of usually crimson bracteate flowers surrounded by the very coriaceous elliptic or ellipticoblong leaves, very furfuraceous beneath, usually obtuse at both ends and with recurved margins. The hard capsule is about 75 in. long. Bark reddish-brown wood reddish-white, soft, close-and even-grained, little used except as fuel. Vern. Tam. Alingi; Mal. Kattu puvarasu.

## Family XCI. PLUMBAGINACEAE.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves alternate, the radical usually rosulate; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, regular, in terminal scapes or branches, in heads spikes racemes or panicles; bracts often scarious; bracteoles 2. Calyx inferior, gamosepalous, tubular, 5—10-ribbed, often hyaline between the ribs, lobes 5. Corolla hypogynous, of 5 petals free or connate at the base or united in a linear tube. Stamens 5, opposite the petals; filaments nearly free or adnate below to the corolla; anthers oblong. Ovary superior, 1-celled, 5-angular above; ovule 1, pendulous from a basal ascending funicle; styles 5, free or connate below; stigmas subcapitate. Fruit a capsule, membranous below and circumsciss, hardened above and there 5-valved. Seed cylindric, pendulous; albumen floury or 0; embryo straight; cotyledons linear or oblong, radicle superior.

## Plumbago, Linn.

Perennial herbs or undershrubs, often scandent. Leaves alternate, entire, petiole often auricled at base. Flowers white rose-coloured or blue in terminal spikes. Calyx tubular, covered with stalked glands, lobes 5. Corolla-tube long, slender; lobes 5, spreading. Stamens free; anthers oblong, dorsifixed. Ovary narrowed at apex; styles divided into stigmatose branches. Capsule circumsciss at the base, hardened above. Seed solitary; albumen scanty, cotyledons oblong.

PLUMBAGO ZEYLANICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 480; Wt. Ill. t. 179. All Districts in the Plains, common, wild or in cultivation.

A rambling subscandent perennial herb with white flowers and a conspicuously glandular persistent calyx, the leaves ovate, membranous. The root is used in medicine. Vern. *Hind.* Chita.

P. rosea, Linn., is a pretty species with bright red flowers and larger leaves, frequently found in cultivation or as an escape. P. capensis, Thunb., is a climber with pale blue flowers also found in gardens.

#### Family XCII. PRIMULACEAE.

Perennial, rarely annual herbs. Leaves radical or cauline; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, regular, solitary or racemose in the leaf axils or solitary or in umbels on an elongated scape; bracts variable, sometimes 0. Calyx inferior, 5-, rarely 4—9-cleft, rarely superior. Corolla usually hypogynous, rotate campanulate or funnel-shaped, 5-, rarely 4—9-lobed. Stamens inserted on the corolla-tube and opposite its lobes, sometimes with alternating staminodes; filaments usually short; anthers 2-celled, dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 1-celled, usually free, ovoid or subglobose; ovules many, on a free central placenta; style short or long; stigma entire. Fruit a capsule dehiscing transversely or by valves. Seeds few or many, minute, usually angular, often sunk in the placenta; albumen fleshy or horny; embryo transverse.

## 1. Androsace, Linn.

Annual or perennial low herbs. Leaves rosulate or imbricate on the branches. Flowers small, white lilac or red. Calyx 5-lobed. Corolla salver-shaped with a short tube or funnel-shaped; limb imbricately 5-lobed, the mouth annulate or with folds opposite the lobes. Stamens 5; anthers subsessile, included in the tube, obtuse. Ovary globose; style short. Capsule ovoid or globose, 5-valved. Seeds angular or subglobose; embryo transverse.

Androsace saxiffagaefolia, Bunge; F. B. I. iii. 496.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Barber) in open pasture lands.

An annual herb with rosulate suborbicular cordate crenate leaves, white flowers with filiform pedicels in bracteate umbels on slender scapes, and white capsules with several angular pitted seeds.

## 2. Lysimachia, Linn.

Erect procumbent or creeping herbs. Leaves entire, alternate, opposite or whorled. Flowers solitary, white pink or yellow, on axillary pedicels or in terminal or axillary racemes or panicles; bracts usually

conspicuous, sometimes 0. Calyx 5—6-partite. Corolla rotate or funnel-shaped, deeply 5—6-lobed. Stamens inserted on the base of the corolla lobes, sometimes connate at the base in a short tube; anthers oblong, obtuse. Ovary subglobose; ovules many; style filiform, persistent; stigma obtuse. Fruit a globose or subglobose capsule, 5-valved or bursting irregularly. Seeds many, trigonous or plano-convex; embryo transverse.

Flowers pink in elongate terminal racemes, pedicels slender, bracts subulate; leaves alternate, lanceolate, acute, smooth or crisped at the margins, glabrous, gland-dotted; corolla-lobes obovate, spathulate; stamens with slender exsert filaments

- 1. Lysimachia Leschenaultii, Duby; F. B. I. iii. 501; Wt. Ic. t. 1204. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, in moist or marshy soils above 6,000 ft.
  - A tall herb with pretty, many-flowered racemes.
- 2. Lysimachia obovata, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iii. 502.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris, on the downs about 7,000 ft. (Williams). A slender herb.
- 3. Lysimachia deltoidea, Wt. Ill. t. 144; F. B. I. iii. 505.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, on shady banks, above 6,000 ft.
  - A slender trailing herb not unlike the "Creeping Jenny" of Europe (L. nummularia) but with much crisp pubescence.

#### 3. Anagallis, Tournef.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves opposite, entire. Flowers solitary, axillary, peduncled, red blue or white; bracts 0. Calyx 5-partite. Corolla rotate, 5-partite, the lobes contorted. Stamens 5, adnate to the corolla. Ovary globose; ovules many; style filiform. Fruit a globose circumsciss capsule. Seeds many, peltate.

- 1. Anagallis arvensis, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 506. A. latifolia, Linn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1205.
  - All Districts, a weed of cultivated fields. Pimpernel.
  - So far as is recorded, only the blue-flowered form (var. caerulea, Gren. and Godr.) occurs in S India.
- 2. Anagallis Pumila, Swartz. Centunculus tenellus, Duby; F. B. I. iii. 506; Wt. Ic. t. 2000. Micropyxis tenella, Wt. Ic. t. 1585.
  - N. Circars, Bison Hills of Godávari (Barber); Deccan, at Hosur in Salem; W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Anamalais at about 3,000 ft., among grass.
  - A small slender erect annual weed with white flowers.

#### Family XCIII. MYRSINACEAE.

Trees, shrubs (erect or climbing) or undershrubs, generally evergreen. Leaves alternate or sometimes opposite, simple, usually gland-dotted; stipules 0. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite or polygamo-dioecious, often with resinous glands. Calyx inferior (in Maesa adnate to the ovary), 4—6-lobed, persistent, sometimes enlarged in fruit, often with glandular dots or lines. Corolla-tube usually short or none; lobes 4—6, contorted or imbricate, rarely valvate, often gland-dotted or -striate. Stamens as many as and opposite to the corolla-lobes; filaments usually short; anthers opening by slits, sometimes septate; staminodes sometimes present. Ovary globose or ovoid, 1-celled; ovules few or many, on a free central usually globose placenta; style filiform or columnar; stigma simple, rarely shortly lobed. Fruit a small globose (in Aegiceras linear, curved, acuminate), indehiscent, 1—many-seeded berry. Seeds usually globose, hollowed at the base (in Maesa many and angled), albumen pitted or ruminate; embryo transverse.

Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; fruit many-seeded; trees or shrubs......1. Maesa. Calyx-tube free from the ovary; fruit 1-seeded:—

Fruit globose, anther-cells usually opening by slits:-

Anthers sagittate, rarely septate; corolla-lobes overlapping to the right

4. Ardisia.

Anthers lanceolate, the connective produced in a wing; corolla-lobes over

#### 1. Maesa, Forsk.

Trees or shrubs, erect or straggling. Leaves entire, dentate or serrate, usually pellucid-punctate, sometimes with resinous lines. Flowers small, hermaphrodite or unisexual, in terminal or axillary often panicled racemes; bracts small; bracteoles 2. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; lobes 4—5, small, persistent. Corolla shortly campanulate, 4—5-lobed, the lobes imbricate, rounded with inflexed tips, sometimes resinous-lineate. Stamens 4 or 5 inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers introrse, oblong-cordate. Ovary adnate to the calyx-tube; ovules numerous, on a globose placenta; style short; stigma entire or lobed. Fruit a small dry or fleshy globose berry, crowned with the persistent style. Seeds numerous, angular, arranged around the placenta with hexagonal surfaces; embryo small, transverse; cotyledons narrowly ovate.

Calyx-lobes ciliate on the margins:-

- 1. Maesa velutina, Mez in Engl. Monog. Myrs. 35.
  - W. Gháts, in Wynaad (Beddome).
  - Apparently a large shrub, very ferruginous-tomentose when young, less so when old, the leaf serratures strong and regular.
- 2. Maesa dubia, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 510.
  - Hills of Mysore, Brumagiris, etc., at 3,000—5,000 ft.; Wynaad; S. Capara
  - A large shrub, more or less pilose, perhaps only a variety of the
- MAESA PERROTTETIANA, A. DC. M. indica var. Perrottetiana, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 509. M. indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1206 not of A. DC.
  - W. Gháts, in all Districts, up to 6,000 ft., chiefly on waste lands and in open forests, common; Shevaroy Hills of Salem and
  - Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly.
  - A small tree or large shrub with ovate lanceolate acuminate or even caudate-acuminate, coarsely dentate or serrate, glabrous leaves with long petioles, the white flowers very small, the berries white. Bark thin, reddish-brown, lenticellate; wood brownish-white, soft. Vern. *Mal.* Kirithi.

#### 2. Rapanea, Aubl.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves coriaceous, usually entire and marked with resinous dots or lines. Flowers polygamous or dioecious, small, sessile or shortly pedicelled, in umbellate rarely racemose fascicles on short thick peduncles, in the axils of the leaves or on the branches below the leaves; bracts imbricate. Calyx small, persistent, 4—5-lobed, often glandular-dotted. Corolla-tube, very short or almost 0, lobes 4—5, spreading, valvate, gland-dotted. Stamens inserted on the corolla; filaments 0; anthers ovate. Ovary free, globose or ovoid, 1-celled; ovules few or many, immersed in the placenta; style short; stigmas 2—5, erect or spreading, sometimes cup-shaped. Fruit a small globose, dry or subfleshy berry, the endocarp often glandular-striate. Seed solitary, albumen usually pitted; embryo elongate, often curved.

Flowers sessile or nearly so; branchlets stout, rough; leaves very shortly petioled, elliptic or obovate, up to 4.5 in. long by 1.5—2 in. wide, obtusely acute; calyx and corolla both densely covered with resinous dots and lines

1. capitellata var. sessilis. Flowers very shortly pedicelled; branchlets not very stout; leaves with slender petioles:—

- Calyx-lobes with few resinous lines or dots:-
- Calyx-lobes with many resinous lines and dots; corolla-lobes gland-dotted or -lined all over; leaves oblanceolate, obtuse, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad

  4. Wightiana.

1. RAPANEA CAPITELLATA, Mez. Myrsine capitellata, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 512. in part.

Var. sessilis, Gamble. Leaves sessile or nearly so, not long petioled as in the northern forms.

- W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, on grass-lands at high elevations (Barber); Travancore Hills, above 6,000 ft. (Bourdillon).
- 2. RAPANEA STRIATA, Mez Monog. Myrs. 357.
  Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).
  Apparently a small tree.
- 3. Rapanea daphnoides, Mez Monog. Myrs. 357.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at about 6,000 ft. A low shrub probably, with narrow linear-lanceolate leaves.

 RAPANEA WIGHTIANA, Mez. Myrsine capitellata var. lanceolata, C. B. Clarke in F. B. I. iii. 512. M. capitellata, Wt. Ic. t. 1211; Bedd. Fl. t. 234.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, above 6,000 ft., in evergreen Shola forests.

A small tree. Bark thick, grey; wood grey, moderately hard. Vern. Badaga Kokili.

5. RAPANEA THWAITESH, Mez Monog. Myrs. 357.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills of Madura, 6,500 ft. (Wight). A small tree, the flowers pedicellate.

#### 3. Embelia, Burm.

Small trees or shrubs, usually climbing. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed, usually glandular, petiole often margined or glandular. Flowers small, hermaphrodite or polygamo-dioecious, white or pink, in axillary or terminal simple or compound racemes or panicles; bracts usually small; bracteoles 0. Calyx free, persistent, 4—5-lobed. Corollatube none or short; petals 4—5, usually imbricate in bud. Stamens 4—5; filaments inserted on the corolla, short or elongate; anthers ovate-oblong. Ovary ovoid or globose; ovules few, on a subglobose placenta; style short; stigma capitate. Fruit a small globose usually 1-seeded berry. Seed globose, hollowed at the base; testa membranous; albumen pitted; embryo transverse, curved.

Petals 5. Inflorescence terminal and axillary, in racemes or panicles of racemes;

Inflorescence racemose, axillary to the normal leaves without imbricate scales at its base; erect with membranous leaves:—

Leaves glabrous, pale and reticulate beneath, elliptic-obovate, cuneate, abruptly acuminate, sometimes slightly dentate, up to 3.5 in. long, 2 in.

broad; racemes nearly glabrous, about 2—3 in. long, petals obtuse, papillose within; anthers exsert, orbicular, mucronate, glandular on the back

 EMBELIA RIBES, Burm.; F. B. I. iii. 513. E. glandulifera, Wt. Ic. t. 1207.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, 4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests at elevations up to about 4,000 ft. A large climbing shrub with small white or greenish-white flowers and a globose peppercorn-like fruit. Bark brown, rough with conical hard protuberances. Vern. *Hind.* Baberang.

2. Embelia adnata, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 514.

W. Gháts, Bolampatti Hills of Coimbatore at 5,000 ft. (Beddome); High Wavy Mountain in Madura at 4,000—5,000 ft. (Blatter and Hallberg).

A large climbing shrub with large thick leaves, the margins

recurved.

3. Embelia Gardneriana, Wt. Ic. t. 1208; F. B. I. iii. 517.

W. Gháts, Sispara Ghát in Nilgiris, at 5,000 ft.

A climbing shrub with white flowers and fruit '25 in. in diam., the branches clothed with rufous hairs.

4. Embelia Tsjeriam-Cottam, A. DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1209. E. robusta, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 515, not of Roxb.

Most Forest Districts in the Circars and Deccan; deciduous

forest areas in the W. Gháts, up to about 3,000 ft.

A large shrub or small tree with greenish-white flowers, long racemes (in true *E. robusta*, Roxb., they are very short and capitulate) and red berries. Bark brown, horizontally cracked; wood reddish, resinous, with broad medullary rays. Vern. *Hind*. Baberang; *Ur*. Nuninunika, Baibedanga; *Mar*. Ambati.

5. EMBELIA VILLOSA, Wall. E. robusta, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 515,

in part.

N. Circars, forests of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, up to 4,500 ft.;

Deccan, hills of Mysore.

A shrub or small tree, similar to the last but with villous leaves and racemes and more glandular flowers, sometimes tetramerous.

 EMBELIA BASAAL, A. DC.; Mez Monog. Myrs. 328. E. viridiflora, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 516. Choripetalum aurantiacum, A. DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1210. Samara Rheedii, Wt. Ic. t. 1591.

Deccan, Bababudan Hills of Mysore; Carnatic, Melpat in S. Arcot, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly, Shevaroys; W. Gháts, in most Districts at 2,000—5,000 ft.

A large climbing shrub with racemes of orange-coloured flowers from the older branchlets.

#### 4. Ardisia, Swartz.

Shrubs or small trees. Leaves sessile or petioled, membranous to coriaceous, entire crenate or serrate, usually gland-dotted. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite, in axillary lateral or terminal simple or compound umbels or racemes; pedicels often lengthening in fruit; bracts small, usually deciduous. Calyx 5-, rarely 4-, lobed, the lobes free or overlapping to the right, persistent. Corolla red, white or spotted, often waxy in appearance, 5-, rarely 4- or 6-, lobed, the lobes overlapping and twisted to the right in bud. Stamens as many as and opposite to the corolla-lobes; filaments short; anthers sagittate, dehiscing longitudinally and introrsely, in one species, septate. Ovary globose; ovules few or many, immersed in a globose placenta; style cylindric; stigma terminal, small. Fruit a globose or subglobose berry. Seed globose, hollowed at base; albumen pitted or ruminate; embryo cylindric, transverse.

Calyx-lobes small, usually not or only little overlapping to the right; inflorescence axillary or lateral, peduncles and pedicels slender; anthers apiculate:—

Leaves entire or very obscurely crenulate, glabrous, nerves not prominent:—
Calyx- and corolla-lobes punctate, the flowers also with capitate scales on the margins; inflorescence of few-flowered cymes or umbels, the peduncles short:—

Calyx-lobes moderate-sized, acute, overlapping to the right; inflorescence paniculate, terminal or subterminal; anthers acute:—

Panicles short, compact; leaves prominently dotted with glands near the margin, faintly crenulate:—

Calyx-lobes large and broad, clearly overlapping to the right, rounded at tip, ciliate; inflorescence lateral or axillary, rarely subterminal; leaves entire, minutely dotted, glabrous:—

9. solanacea.

- 1. Ardisia Rhomboidea, Wt. Ic. t. 1213; F. B. I. iii. 529.
  - W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at 2,000—6,000 ft., in evergreen forests.
  - A glabrous shrub or small tree with pinkish-white flowers.
- 2. Ardisia pauciflora, Heyne; F. B. I. iii. 529; Wt. Ic. t. 1214. W. Gháts, evergreen forests from the Wynaad southwards, up to 5,000 ft., common; Brumagiri Hills of Mysore. A small tree with white flowers and red berries.
- 3. Ardisia depressa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 522.
  - E. Gháts, Hills of Vizagapatam, at 4,000—5,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington).
  - A large shrub with pinkish flowers.
- 4. Ardisia Blatteri, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1921, 121.
  - W. Gháts, "High Wavy Mountain," Madura, at 4,000—5,500 ft. (Blatter and Hallberg), hills of Travancore, at 2,000—4,000 ft.? (Bourdillon).
  - A small tree with prominently nerved leaves, pink flowers and black berries.
- 5. Ardisia amplexicaulis, Bedd. Ic. t. 170; F. B. I. iii. 521.
  - W. Gháts, Tirrihoot Hills, Wynaad, at 3,000—4,000 ft. (Beddome); Hills of Travancore (Barber).
  - A glabrous shrub.
- ARDISIA SONCHIFOLIA, Mez Monog. Myrs. 116. A. villosa, var. obtusa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 525.
  - W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 4,000 ft. (Beddome, Barber), Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight).
  - Apparently a small tree, with remarkable many-flowered umbels in dichotomous drooping panicles.
- Ardisia Missionis, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 519. A. courtallensis, Wt. Ic. t. 1215; F. B. I. iii. 520.
  - W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, in evergreen forests.
  - A small tree with pale pink flowers and red berries, in large panicles.
- 8. Ardisia Littoralis, Andr. Repos. x. t. 630. A. polycephala, Wt. Ill. t. 145 not of Wall. A. humilis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 529, not of Vahl and in part only.
  - W. Coast, along backwaters in Travancore.
  - A somewhat succulent shrub reaching about 3 ft. in height, with rose-coloured flowers, the berries red at first turning purplish black.
- ARDISIA SOLANACEA, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 27. A. humilis, A. DC.;
   C. B. Clarke in F. B. I. iii. 529, in part only; Wt. Ic. t. 1212, not of Vahl.
  - All Forest Districts in the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, usually in moist places and along streams, up to 5,000 ft. in the hills; also in evergreen forests of the W. Gháts, but less common.
  - A large shrub or small tree with pink flowers and black berries. Bark brown, smooth; wood grey, moderately hard, with broad medullary rays. Vern. *Hind*. Bisi; *Ur*. Kadna, Katapenga; *Tel*. Konda mayúr.

#### 5. Antistrophe, A. DC.

Slender shrubs, the branchlets pubescent. Leaves alternate, lanceolate, acuminate, entire or dentate. Flowers hermaphrodite, in subsessile axillary umbels or solitary; pedicels slender; bracts small. Calyx 5-lobed, persistent. Corolla deeply 5-cleft; lobes lanceolate acuminate, overlapping to the left in bud. Stamens 5, on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers free, lanceolate, opening longitudinally, the connective produced upwards in a membranous wing. Ovary ovoid; ovules several, on a globose central placenta; style filiform; stigma punctiform. Fruit a globose berry; pericarp coriaceous; endocarp chartaceous. Seed 1; albumen ruminate; embryo cylindric, transverse.

Antistrophe Serratifolia, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 532. Ardisia serra-

tifolia, Bedd. Ic. t. 113.

Anamalai Hills, at 3,000 ft. (Beddome).

An erect shrub with rusty-villous branchlets, lanceolate, long acuminate leaves with prominent saw-tooth-like serratures and many (about 25) pairs of prominent parallel nerves, up to 8 in. long, 2 in. broad, and few-flowered axillary umbels of flowers.

#### 6. Aegiceras, Gaertn.

Sea-coast shrubs or small trees; branches glabrous. Leaves coriaceous, entire, glabrous, alternate, petioled. Flowers hermaphrodite, white, in terminal or axillary umbels or panicles, pedicels slender; bracts 0. Calyx of 5 imbricate lobes, the lobes twisted to the left, overlapping to the right. Corolla-tube short, villous; lobes 5, overlapping to the right in bud, afterwards recurved. Stamens 5, on the corollatube; filaments linear, connate below and villous; anthers cordate-lanceolate, transversely septate. Ovary fusiform, narrowed into an elongate style; stigma small; ovules many, immersed in a central globose placenta. Fruit cylindric, curved, coriaceous, at length splitting longitudinally. Seed elongate, exalbuminous; radicle inferior, enlarged at base; cotyledons short; germination often taking place while still on the plant.

AEGICERAS CORNICULATUM, Blanco. Ae. majus, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iii.

533; Wt. Ill. t. 146.

Sea-coasts, both E. and W., in mangrove forests especially, and

along tidal creeks.

A common and pretty small tree or large shrub with obovate emarginate coriaceous shining leaves, white flowers and an elongate curved fruit about 1 in. long. Bark grey; wood reddishbrown, often streaked with yellow, even-grained, mostly used for fuel. Vern. Hind. Halsi; Tel. Dudumara, Guggilam; Tam. Narikandam.

## Family XCIV. SAPOTACEAE.

Trees or shrubs, generally evergreen, young parts often rusty-tomentose. Leaves alternate, rarely subopposite, entire, petioled stipules 0 or very caducous. Flowers hermaphrodite, axillary; pedicels clustered, rarely solitary or panicled; bracts 0; bracteoles 0 or minute.

Mimusops.

Calyx-lobes 4—8, imbricate or biseriate with the outer ones valvate. Corolla-tube short; lobes as many or 2-4 times as many as those of the calvx. Stamens inserted on the corolla-tube, as many as the lobes and opposite to them or 2-3 times as many, 1-3-seriate; filaments usually short: anthers lanceolate, the connective often produced; staminodes when present alternate with the stamens. Ovary superior, sessile, 2-8celled; ovules solitary in each cell, attached to the inner angle; style subulate. Fruit an indehiscent 1-8-seeded berry. Seeds if single ellipsoid, if more compressed; hilum conspicuous; testa usually crustaceous, shining; exalbuminous with large fleshy cotyledons or albuminous with flat cotyledons; radicle inferior.

Calyx-lobes 1-seriate, imbricate; stamens 5—6:— Staminodes 0; leaf main-nerves close and parallel	1. Chrysophyllum. 2. Sideroxylon.	
Calyx-lobes 2-seriate, outer series valvate:—		
Calyx-lobes 4:—		
Seeds albuminous; stamens 8	3. Isonandra.	
Seeds exalbuminous; stamens 12 or more	4. Bassia.	
Calvx-lobes 6—8:—		
Staminodes 0: seeds evalbuminous	5 Dala	

#### 1. Chrysophyllum, Linn.

Trees with milky juice. Leaves subcoriaceous, main nerves usually very many, slender, parallel; stipules 0. Flowers small, in axillary fascicles, hermaphrodite. Calyx 5-6-lobed, the lobes subequal, imbricate. Corolla tubular-campanulate, 5-6-lobed, the lobes entire, imbricate. Stamens equal in number to, and opposite to, the corollalobes; filaments subulate; anthers ovate; staminodes 0. Ovary villous, 5-6-, rarely more -celled; ovules 1 in each cell, attached to the central placenta; style glabrous. Fruit a fleshy or coriaceous globose berry. Seeds large, flattened; testa very hard, with a conspicuous elongate hilum; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

CHRYSOPHYLLUM ROXBURGHII, G. Don; F. B. I. iii. 533; Bedd. Fl. t. 236.

N. Circars, Rumpa Hills of Godavari; Hills of W. Mysore; W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, up to 4,000 ft., in

evergreen forests. The Star Apple.

A lofty evergreen tree with shining closely nerved leaves, small greenish white flowers and large yellowish-green berry with hard flat polished brown seeds. Bark dark grey, smooth; wood greyishwhite, cross-grained, not durable. Vern. Tam. Kappalei; Mal. Atha; Mar. Tarsi.

C. Cainito, Linn., the West Indian Star Apple, is occasionally found in gardens and has an edible fruit and pretty leaves covered beneath

with golden silky pubescence.

Achras Sapota, Linn. The Sapota or Sapodilla plum is a large tree, sometimes cultivated for its edible fruit.

## 2. Sideroxylon, Linn.

Trees, rarely shrubs, sometimes thorny, the spines being arrested branchlets. Leaves alternate; stipules 0. Flowers small, in fascicles in

the axils of the leaves or of the scars of fallen leaves, subsessile or shortly pedicelled. Calyx of 5—6 imbricate subequal segments. Corolla campanulate; lobes 5—6, imbricate. Stamens as many as the corollalobes and opposite to them, attached to the tube or at its base; filaments linear; anthers ovate or lanceolate, extrorse; staminodes alternating with the stamens. Ovary usually villous, with 5 or fewer cells; ovules on axile placentas; style cylindric; stigma small. Fruit an ovoid or globose fleshy berry, 5 or less-seeded. Seeds usually solitary; testa hard, with a prominent oblong or linear hilum; albumen fleshy; embryo with foliaceous or fleshy cotyledons.

Sideroxylon tomentosum, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 28; F. B. I. iii. 538. N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri, Hills of Canara to Coimbatore, in dry forests.

A small tree, thorny and with small leaves in dry localities, in wet ones with larger and thinner leaves and few or no thorns. Bark thin, cracked; wood yellowish-brown, moderately hard. Vern. *Ur.* Kanta bohul.

Var. elengioides, Gamble. Sapota elengioides, A. DC. Wt. Ic. t. 1218. Achras elengioides, Bedd. Fl. t. 235.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 5,000 ft., in Shola forests.

A small tree with rather long thorns and small leaves which are bright red in colour when young. The fruit is used in pickles and curries. Bark rough, much cracked; wood yellowish-brown, hard. Vern. Tam. Palei; Badaga, Holay.

## 3. Isonandra, Wight.

Trees with milky juice. Leaves alternate, entire, main nerves prominent. Flowers small, in clusters in the axils of present or fallen leaves, subsessile or shortly pedicelled. Calyx-lobes 4, 2-seriate. Corolla tubular campanulate; lobes 4, imbricate, somewhat twisted. Stamens 8, subequal, attached near the base of the corolla, 1-seriate; filaments erect; anthers lanceolate sagittate; staminodes 0. Ovary 4-celled, villous; style linear. Fruit an ellipsoid or oblong berry with a fleshy pericarp; seed usually 1 only, flattened; testa crustaceous, shining, hilum lateral; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat, radicle inferior.

Leaves obovate, obtuse or slightly emarginate at apex; transverse nervules not or only slightly parallel, inconspicuous; anthers apiculate:—

1. Isonandra VILLOSA, Wt. Ic. t. 360; F. B. I. iii. 538.

Deccan, Veligonda Hills of Nellore (Ramaswami); Kambakam • Hills of Chingleput; W. Coast, Quilon (Wight).

A tree with thick branchlets and very coriaceous leaves, quite

glabrous in spite of its name.

2. Isonandra Stocksii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 539. Deccan, N. Coimbatore, in Shola forests (Fischer).

Apparently a small tree.

3. ISONANDRA MONTANA, Gamble n. comb. I. Wightiana, A. DC. var. montana, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 540.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests, above 4,000

ft. (Bourdillon).

A small tree with small leaves, the margins recurved.

- Isonandra Candolleana, Wt. Ic. t. 1220; F. B. I. iii. 539.
   W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at about 4,000—6,000 ft., in Shola forests.
- Isonandra Perrottetiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1219; F. B. I. iii. 539.
   W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, in Shola forests, above 4,000 ft.

6. Isonandra lanceolata, Wt. Ic. t. 350; F. B. I. iii. 539.

W. Gháts, all Districts from the Wynaad southwards, in ever-

green forests at about 3,000-5,000 ft.

A small tree with chartaceous leaves and prominently transverse nervules, the branchlets, buds and sometimes the under side of the leaves rusty-silky. The fruits are elongate, orange-scarlet.

Var. anfractuosa, C. B. Clarke. Leaves larger, more prominently obovate and acuminate, the transverse nervules usually curved to cross the main nerves; calyx- and corolla-lobes more acute.

Atapadi Hills of Malabar at 3,000 ft.; Anamalai Hills and Hills

of Cochin.

Isonandra diplostemon, C. B. Clarke in F. B. I. iii. 540. Diospyros obovata, Wt. Ic. t. 1226. Resembles I. villosa, Wt., more or less, in its leaves, but the flowers are curious, having 4 calyx-lobes as in Isonandra, but 6 small nearly free petals and about 3 stamens to each petal. Wight's specimens are still the only ones known and the locality is not specified.

## 4. Bassia, Linn.

Trees with milky juice. Leaves coriaceous or chartaceous, petioled, usually clustered at the ends of the branchlets; stipules caducous. Flowers fascicled, crowded near the tops of the branches among the leaves or from the scars of fallen leaves; pedicels frequently reflexed.

Calyx-lobes 4, rarely 5, the 2 outer usually valvate enclosing the 2-3 inner imbricate. Corolla campanulate, tube broad; lobes 6-12, usually 8-10, contorted in bud, erect in flower. Stamens at least twice as many as the corolla-lobes, in one or more rows on the corolla-tube; filaments usually short; anthers lanceolate, the connective produced; staminodes 0. Ovary villous, 4-12-, but usually 6- or 8-celled; style subulate, elongate. Fruit a globose oblong or ovoid, fleshy, usually 1—3-seeded, berry. Seeds ellipsoid, more or less compressed; testa crustaceous, shining; hilum oblong or linear; albumen 0; cotyledons thick, fleshy; radicle small.

Pedicels stout, fulvous tomentose, 1-1.5 in. long; calyx-lobes also fulvoustomentose:-

Anthers long-hairy on the back, obtuse at base, connective long-apiculate; leaves Anthers not long-hairy on the back, cordate at base, connective long-apiculate; leaves membranous, oblanceolate, tapering at base into a short fulvous-hairy petiole, the back also fulvous-hairy along the midrib, up to 12 in. long, 3 in. 

Pedicels glabrous:-

Pedicels slender, up to 2.5 in long; calyx-lobes rusty-pubescent; anthers hairy on the back, cordate at base, the connective apiculate, often minutely 3-toothed; 

1. Bassia latifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 19; F. B. I. iii. 544; Bedd. Fl.

N. Circars, in deciduous forests, especially in Godavari; Deccan, in deciduous forests, especially the Nallamalai Hills and south to N. Arcot, Salem and Coimbatore. Elsewhere much planted

and liable to run wild. The Mahua tree.

A large and handsome deciduous tree, one of the most important, in some respects the most important, of Indian trees. The large fleshy cream-coloured corollas contain much sugar and are an important article of food, and for the distillation of spirit. They fall readily from the trees when ripe, and can be collected under them. The large ovoid greenish fruits have large fleshy cotyledons which give a valuable oil. Bark thick, grey; wood very hard, reddish-brown, of good quality, but little used. Vern. Hind. Mahua; Ur. Moha, Moholo; Tel. Ippa; Tam. Illupei; Kan. Ippi.

2. Bassia Bourdillonii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1921, 121. B. fulva, Bourd. Trav. Trees, 238, not of Bedd.

W. Gháts, Ariankavu and Shendurni valleys of Travancore, at

low levels up to 1,000 ft. (Bourdillon).

A medium-sized tree with large yellowish-white corollas, large leaves in close terminal whorls and a large green ovoid fruit. Bark greyish-brown; wood pinkish-brown, moderately hard, apparently of good quality. Vern. Mal. Thandidiyan.  Bassia Longifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 544; Wt. Ill. t. 147 Bedd. Fl. t. 42.

W. Coast, dry forests of S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore, at low elevations; elsewhere, especially in the Carnatic, cultivated

only.

A large tree, the flowers appearing with the leaves, corollas pale yellow and fleshy, with the same uses as with *B. latifolia*, as is also the case with the seeds. Bark dark yellowish-grey; wood red, close-grained, similar to that of Mahua. Vern. *Tel.* Ippa; *Tam.* Illupei; *Kan.* Ippi; *Mal.* Ellupi.

4. Bassia Malabarica, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 544.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, along streams, from S. Canara to Travancore and Tinnevelly, Mysore hills and Anamalais, up to 4,000 ft.

A large tree with yellowish white flowers and oblong-lanceolate fruit. Bark dark brown; wood dark red, hard. Vern. *Tam.*, *Mal.* Atta illupei.

#### 5. Palaquium, Blanco.

Trees with milky juice. Leaves usually coriaceous, petioled, entire. Flowers fascicled in the axils of the leaves or of the scars of fallen leaves, pedicellate. Calyx-lobes 6, in 2 series, the outer 3 valvate, the inner 3 imbricate. Corolla campanulate, tube short, lobes 6, imbricate or contorted in bud. Stamens 12 or more, up to 18, attached to the base of the corolla, 1-seriate or the alternate ones rather higher up; anthers ovate-lanceolate, extrorse, the connective produced; staminodes 0. Ovary villous, 6-celled; style subulate. Fruit a fleshy ovoid or ellipsoid berry, 1—2-seeded. Seeds large; testa crustaceous, albumen 0; cotyledons thick, fleshy.

1. Palaquium ellipticum, Engler. Dichopsis elliptica, Benth.; F. B. I. iii. 542. Bassia elliptica, Dalz.; Bedd. Fl. t. 43.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests, at 1,000—4,000 ft. A lofty tree sometimes reaching 100 ft. in height with a straight but fluted stem, the flowers white and fragrant, the berry up to 1.5 in. long, ellipsoid, green. Bark brown, mottled with white; wood reddish brown, moderately hard, used in building but especially for shingles. It gives a poor quality of gutta percha of little value. Vern. Tam. Kat illupei; Mar. Panchoti; Mal. Pala.

2. PALAQUIUM BOURDILLONI, Brandis in Ind. Trees, 424.

Travancore, in evergreen forests, up to 4,000 ft. (Bourdillon).

A medium-sized tree.

#### 6. Mimusops, Linn.

Trees with milky juice. Leaves chartaceous or coriaceous, with many usually inconspicuous parallel main nerves. Flowers axillary, pedicelled, solitary or fascicled. Calyx-lobes 6 or 8, in 2 series, the outer valvate enclosing the inner imbricate. Corolla-tube short; lobes 18 or 24 or more in 2 rows, one-third in the inner, the rest in the outer row. Stamens 6 or 8 attached to the corolla-tube opposite the inner lobes; filaments short, free or connate in a tube with the staminodes; anthers lanceolate, extrorse, apiculate; staminodes subpetaloid, usually fimbriate. Ovary hirsute, 6—8-celled; style subulate. Fruit a globose ovoid or ellipsoid berry, epicarp crustaceous. Seeds few or solitary, obliquely ovate or oblong, slightly compressed; hilum basal or lateral; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

MIMUSOPS ELENCI, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 548; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 14;
 Wt. Ic. t. 1586; Bedd. Fl. t. 40.

Carnatic, in dry evergreen forests from the Kistna southwards, common; Deccan, in ravines in the hills and up to 4,000 ft.; W. Coast and lower Gháts, in moist evergreen forests, scarce; common everywhere in cultivation.

A small tree with rather small leaves scarcely 3 in. long in dry forests, a large one with much larger leaves in damp localities. Bark dark grey, rough, deeply fissured; wood dark red, very hard and close-grained, used for building, carts and implements. The scented white corollas which fall off in showers are made into garlands. The seeds give an oil. Vern. Hind. Malsari; Ur. Kirakuli; Tel. Pogada; Tam. Mahila, magadam; Mal. Elengi.

MIMUSOPS HEXANDRA, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 15; F. B. I. iii. 549. M. indica, A. DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1587.

N. Circars and Carnatic from the Chilka Lake southwards, chiefly in dry evergreen forests, inland to the scarp of the Deccan plateau, more scarce to the westward and absent from the W. Coast.

A small tree in dry evergreen forests as in India, a large tree in Ceylon. Bark grey, smooth, often with conical hard degenerate branchlets; wood red, very hard and close-grained. Vern. Ur. Khiri; Tel. Pala; Tam. Palla.

3. Mimusops Roxburghiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1588; F. B. I. iii. 548.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry forests as in the Yerramalai Hills of Kurnool, the hills of N. Coimbatore and N. Nilgiri slopes, southwards to Tinnevelly and in Travancore in the southern forests, up to 5,000 ft.

A large evergreen tree. Wood reddish-brown and strong, used in building. Vern. Tam. Kanapalei; Kan. Renga.

M. Kauki, Linn., is a tree of the Malay Peninsula, sometimes found in gardens.

#### Family XCV. EBENACEAE.

Trees or shrubs, usually with hard wood, often black in the centre. Leaves alternate, rarely subopposite, entire, usually coriaceous, stipules 0. Flowers usually dioecious, regular, axillary, cymose or solitary, bracteate; pedicels articulate under the flower. Calyx inferior, gamosepalous, often accrescent. Corolla gamopetalous, lobes 3—7, contorted, sometimes imbricate or valvate in bud. Stamens in  $\delta$  flowers as many or 2—3-times as many as the corolla-lobes or  $\infty$ ; filaments free or paired or variously connate; anthers basifixed usually dehiscing longitudinally, rarely apically, connective often produced; in  $\varphi$  flowers absent or reduced to staminodes. Disk usually 0. Ovary superior, sessile; styles 2—8; ovules as many or twice as many as the styles, attached to the inner angles of the cells; in  $\delta$  flowers 0 or rudimentary. Fruit a coriaceous or fleshy berry, several- or few-seeded. Seeds pendulous, usually oblong; testa thin or coriaceous; albumen copious, uniform or ruminate; embryo axile; radicle superior.

#### 1. Maba, Forst.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire. Flowers dioecious, axillary, shortly pedicelled or in small dense cymes, usually 3-rarely 4-or 5-merous. Calyx 3-, rarely 4-5-lobed, often cup-shaped and enlarged in fruit. Corolla-tube usually longer than the calyx; lobes 3, twisted to the right in bud. Stamens in of flowers 3-22; filaments distinct, paired or polyadelphous; in of flowers 0 or up to 12 staminodes. Ovary in of flowers 3-celled or imperfectly 6-celled, ovules 6; style-arms 3; in of flowers rudimentary only. Fruit globose or ellipsoid, glabrous or hairy; 1-6-celled and 1-6-seeded, dry or fleshy. Seeds albuminous, the albumen equable; embryo axile; cotyledons flat.

1. Maba Buxifolia, Pers.; F. B. I. iii. 551; Wt. Ic. t. 763. Ferreola buxifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 45.

N. Circars and Carnatic to S. Travancore, especially near the coast and on laterite, common in dry evergreen forests; Deccan,

in dry forests in Kurnool, Cuddapah, N. Arcot and S. Arcot,

more scarce westwards.

A large bushy shrub or more rarely a small tree, with red fruit. Bark thin, grey to black; wood grey with darker streaks, hard and close-grained. Vern. *Ur.* Guakoli; *Tel.* Alli, Uti; *Tam.* Iramballi.

Maba Neilgerrensis, Wt. Ill. t. 148 bis E, Ic. tt. 1228, 1229. M. buxifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 551, in part, not of Pers. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, at 5,000—6,000 ft., in Shola forests; hills of N. Coimbatore. A small tree.

3. Maba Nigrescens, Dalz.; F. B. I. iii. 551. W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara and Mysore (Law).

A large shrub or small tree.

#### 2. Diospyros, Linn.

Trees, rarely shrubs. Leaves alternate or sometimes subopposite, entire. Flowers dioecious, rarely polygamous, axillary or on old branches, in cymes or, especially the  $\,^\circ$ , solitary; usually 4—5-merous, rarely 3-merous; bracts sometimes conspicuous. Calyx lobed, usually deeply, rarely truncate, the  $\,^\circ$ 0 often larger than the  $\,^\circ$ 3 and often accrescent and plicate or auriculate in fruit. Corolla tubular urceolate campanulate or salver-shaped, the lobes twisted to the right in bud. Stamens in  $\,^\circ$ 3 flowers 4—many, often 16, the filaments distinct, paired or variously connate; anthers usually linear or lanceolate, rarely short; in  $\,^\circ$ 2 flowers staminodes 0—16. Ovary in  $\,^\circ$ 2 4—5-celled or sometimes 8—10-celled, ovules solitary, rarely 2 in each cell; styles or stigmas 1—4; in  $\,^\circ$ 3 flowers rudimentary or 0. Fruit globose ellipsoid or ovoid-conic, often supported by the enlarged sometimes woody calyx; flesh often pulpy or viscid. Seeds oblong, usually compressed, albumen equable or ruminate; cotyledons thin, flat.

## **FLORA**

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## INTRODUCTION TO PART V.

This Part has to end in the middle of the Family Scrophulariaceæ; the rest will come at the beginning of Part VI.

The Supplementary Note dealing with some points in Part IV which have seemed to require explanation appeared as No. IV in the 'Kew Bulletin' for 1921, p. 312.

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Seeds with ruminate albumen:-

Calyx-lobes of Q flowers 4—5, cordate, the margins wavy, forming in fruit a very shallow cup; leaves alternate or subopposite; of flowers in short cymes densely

tawny-tomentose, Q solitary; fruit globose:-

fruit, not wavy, of & small, acute:-

Seeds with the albumen not ruminate:-

Calyx only shortly lobed, often truncate in fruit:-

Fruit globose or ovoid:-

Flowers peduncled, of in cymes, Q solitary; calyx-lobes accrescent, large and

foliaceous in fruit, ovate-cordate:-

Cymes of & flowers lax with slender peduncles and pedicels, flowers 4-merous; anthers 12—16, elongate apiculate, in pairs on a disk surrounding the rudimentary ovary; leaves narrowly lanceolate, obtusely acuminate, minutely reticulate, coriaceous, up to 4 in. long, 1 in. broad...11. foliolosa. Cymes of & flowers stout curved, prominently bracteate; flowers 5-merous; anthers 20, linear, acute, in pairs on the corolla; leaves oblong or oblong-

smaller:-

Corolla tubular, often salver-shaped:-

Stamens glabrous, anthers many, usually in groups of 3 or more; fruiting calyx-tube forming a woody cup with the lobes beneath recurved:—

Fruiting calyx large, flattened, coriaceous, foliaceous:-

Corolla ovoid-urceolate; stamens very many, usually about 40, anthers linear, the connective villous also the short filaments; fruiting calyx much enlarged, spreading or reflexed; leaves oblong, very coriaceous, glabrous, the main nerves oblique, reticulation prominent, up to 12 in. long, 3 in. broad; fruit globose, often 3 in. in diam., reddish-velvety

21. peregrina. Flowers sessile, 5-merous, both  $\delta$  and Q in close clusters in the axils of the leaves or of the scars of fallen leaves, surrounded by many bracts, all fulvous-tomentose; stamens 10—12, the anthers lanceolate acuminate; staminodes in Q 5; leaves oblong or lanceolate, acuminate, rounded and then decurrent at base, coriaceous, up to 8 in long, 3.5 broad, the nerves obscure

22. sulcata. Flowers 5-merous, & in short axillary cymes, Q in short thick-peduncled and -pedicelled cymose often very dense clusters on old wood; stamens 12—18; staminodes in Q 10; leaves oblong-lanceolate, long acuminate, cuneate at base, glabrous, coriaceous, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 6—8 pairs, transverse nervules subparallel; fruit globose, very large, 3 in. in diam. 23. Bourdilloni.

Calyx spathaceous, irregularly lobed; leaves ovate- or lanceolate-oblong, up to 11 in. long, 4 in. broad, coriaceous, shining, minutely and conspicuously reticulate 24. Toposia.

DIOSPYROS MELANOXYLON, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 46; F. B. I. iii. 564.
 D. dubia, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 1223. D. exsculpta, Bedd. Fl. t. 66 (except calyx of φ). D. Wightiana, Wall.; Bedd. Fl. t. 67. D. Tupru, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iii. 563.

N. Circars, scarce; Deccan and Carnatic, common, in all deciduous forests, on dry rocky hills and on waste lands, in the hills

up to 3,000 ft.

A moderate-sized deciduous tree, the young leaves and branchlets and the o inflorescence tawny-tomentose. Bark greyishblack, cleft in rectangular plates showing the black inner bark in the clefts; wood hard reddish-brown with an irregular black heartwood. This ebony is however not much used, as pieces of it are not obtainable of any large size. The fruit is edible. Vern. Tel. Tumi, tumki; Mar. Tendu.

2. DIOSPYROS TOMENTOSA, ROXD.; F. B. I. iii. 564; Wt. Ic. tt. 182, 183. N. Circars down to the Godavari, in deciduous forests.

A large tree in good forests, a small one in scrub jungle, reproducing itself on cultivated lands from root-suckers, the leaves large and thick. Bark greyish-black, cleft in regular scales, the inner bark quite black; wood very hard, dark reddish-brown with an irregular black heart-wood, occasionally streaked with purple or brown. The ebony is, however, not much utilised though large trees give good pieces. It is chiefly used for small articles of ornament. The fruit is edible. Vern. Hind. Tendu; Ur. Kendhu.

3. DIOSPYROS INSIGNIS, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 565; Bedd. Ic. t. 130.
W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore at low elevations in the evergreen forests.
A lofty tree with yellowish-white flowers and large fruit in a curious woody cup.

4. Diospyros sylvatica, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 47; F. B. I. iii. 559; Bedd. Ic. t. 121

N. Circars, in forests, down to the Godavari; W. Gháts, in evergreen forests in all Districts on the W. side, up to 5,000 ft.

A moderate-sized tree with small  $\sigma$  flowers having a short urceolate corolla-tube, prominent  $\rho$  calyx-lobes and a small fruit. Bark thin, blackish-grey; wood grey with black streaks and irregular black patches. Vern. Ur. Kanchia, Kaluchia; Tel. Tella gada; Kan. Kaka suroli.

5. Diospyros Candolleana, Wt. Ic. tt. 1221, 1222; F. B. I. iii. 566. D. canarica, Bedd. Ic. t. 134.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,500 ft.; W. Gháts, in evergreen forests from S. Canara to Travancore, up to 1,500 ft.

A moderate-sized tree with pale yellow flowers, the & corollas elongate, the fruit green. Bark smooth, greenish-black; wood

light pink with grey streaks, no ebony. Vern. Mal. Kari; Mar. Karamara.

6. Diospyros affinis, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 566; Bedd. Ic. t. 127.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly (Beddome).

A moderate-sized tree with yellowish-white flowers. Bark black. peeling off in irregular patches; wood with small black heartwood streaked with brown.

7. Diospyros humilis, Bourd. in Journ. Bomb. Nat. Hist. Soc. xii. 352.

t. 4. D. orixensis, Wt.; F. B. I. iii. 571, not of Willd.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Travancore and Tinnevelly, about

2.000 ft.

A small tree reaching 30 ft. in height with white flowers and green fruit 5-75 in. in diam. The anthers are small and rounded. Bark black, mottled green and dark grey; wood hard, dull greyish-brown streaked with black, and with black patches. Vern. Tam. Vellei thuvarei; Mal. Meruvalan.

8. Diospyros oocarpa, Thw.; F. B. I. iii. 560.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law); W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore up to 2,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A small or moderate-sized tree with shining leaves, black when dry, very small flowers, and an ellipsoid oblong fruit, about 1 in. long, cylindric when young. Bark yellowish; wood greyishbrown with an irregular purplish-black streaked heartwood. Vern. Mal. Vellei karunkali.

9. Diospyros Barberi, Ramas. in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. x. 2 (1914),

47, tt. 3, 4.

Hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, in evergreen forests, at 2,000-4,000 ft.

A small tree with & flowers in short cymes, Q solitary with large leathery folded foliaceous calyx-lobes.

10. DIOSPYROS PRURIENS, Dalz.; F. B. I. iii. 553; Bedd. Ic. t. 129. W. Gháts, evergreen forests of S. Canara, Wynaad, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly, up to about 3,000 ft.

A small tree with softly hirsute branchlets, leaves and calyx, the fruit ovoid conical up to 1 in. long and clothed with fulvous stinging hairs.

11. DIOSPYROS FOLIOLOSA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii, 556. D. calycina, Bedd. Fl. t. 68, Ic. t. 123.

W. Gháts, forests of Tinnevelly and S. Travancore, up to 3,000 ft.

A moderate-sized tree, conspicuous in fruit from the large foliaceous calvx-lobes, flowers bright yellow. Fruit yellow when dry, about 1 in. in diam, the seeds almost ruminate. Bark dark brown, smooth; wood yellowish-white, clouded with grey and black, hard. Vern. Tam. Vellei thuvarei.

12. Diospyros paniculata, Dalz.; F. B. I. iii. 570; Bedd. Ic. t. 125. W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Malabar and Travancore, up to 3,000 ft.

A handsome tree of moderate size with greenish white of flowers in pedunculate prominently bracteate cymes, the Q solitary recurved, the corolla tawny-villous; the fruit ovoid, green, 1 in. long. Bark black, rough; wood soft, white and grey in irregular patches with narrow stripes of black. Vern. *Tam.* Karun thuvarei; *Mal.* Kari, Karivella, Illakatta.

13. Diospyros Ebenum, Koenig; F. B. I. iii. 558; Wt. Ic. t. 188; Bedd. Fl. t. 65.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry evergreen forests, extending W. to N. Coimbatore and S. to Tinnevelly. Ebony.

A large or moderate-sized tree with greenish-yellow flowers and subglobose fruit 75 in. in diam. seated on a woody cup. Bark dark grey, finely cracked longitudinally; wood very hard, sapwood grey, heartwood jet black, the ebony wood of India but very little utilised except for small articles and inlaying. A "Royal timber" in Travancore. Vern. Tel. Nalluti; Tam. Acha, Tumbi, Karun kali; Kan. Karemara.

- 14. Diospyros Assimilis, Bedd. in Madras For. Rep. 1866—7, p. 20, t. 1; F. B. I. iii. 558. D. nigricans, Dalz.; Bedd. Ic. t. 124.
  - N. Circars, Palkonda Hills of Vizagapatam (Gamble); W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, at 1,000—3,000 ft., in evergreen forests. A large evergreen tree with pale yellow flowers and globose fruit. Bark black, thin, much cracked; wood hard, sapwood greyish-white, heartwood jet black streaked with grey and brown, much valued in Travancore and considered a "Royal timber" like that of D. Ebenum (Bourdillon). Vern. Tam. Karunthali; Mal. Karu, Mushtimbi.
- 15. Diospyros Nilagirica, Bedd. Ic. t. 136; F. B. I. iii, 566.

W. Gháts. W. slopes of Nilgiris, 3,000—4,500 ft. (Beddome), Anamalais and to the hills of Travancore, 3,000—5,000 ft., common about Peermerd.

A moderate-sized evergreen tree with yellowish-white 4-merous flowers and smooth globose green fruit, 1 in. in diam. Bark black: wood brownish-yellow, moderately hard. Vern. Tam. Karu.

- DIOSPYROS MONTANA, ROXD. Cor. Pl. t. 48; F. B. I. iii. 555; Wt. Ic. t. 1225.
  - N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic in deciduous forest, westwards to the E. slopes of the Gháts, at low levels. Common, but nowhere very abundant.

A small or moderate-sized, sometimes thorny, deciduous tree with greenish flowers and reddish-brown fruit. Bark thin, grey or greyish-black; wood grey tinged with yellow or brown, with darker patches, moderately hard, very little used. Vern. *Hind*. Tendu; *Ur*. Kosse kuli; *Tel*. Yerragoda.

- 17. DIOSPYROS CORDIFOLIA, ROX. Cor. Pl. t. 50; Wt. Ill. t. 148, D. montana, var. cordifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 555.
  - N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, westwards to the dry slopes of the Gháts, and up to 2,000 ft., in dry deciduous or evergreen forests.

A small, thorny, branching deciduous tree with small white flowers and yellow fruit. Bark light greyish-brown; wood reddish or yellowish-white, moderately hard. Vern. Tel. Vackana.

18. Diospyros Chloroxylon, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 49; F. B. I. iii. 560.

D. capitulata, Wt. Ic. tt. 1224, 1588 bis.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry evergreen forests, espe-

cially on laterite, common.

A large much-branched shrub, often thorny, in dry localities with small leaves, in better soils a small tree with larger leaves. Flowers, especially &, very small; fruit globose, 2-3 in. in diam, edible. Bark dark brown, peeling off in small scales; wood yellowish-grey, moderately hard, a good fuel. Vern. Ur. Kosai; Tel. Illinda, Nella ulimira.

19. Diospyros microphylla, Bedd. Ic. t. 133; F. B. I. iii. 559. W. Gháts, evergreen forests of S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore, also of the Anamalais, up to 3,000 ft. A large tree with black cylindric stem flecked with white, the

young branches with long yellow hairs, the leaves small, the flowers minute, white, 4-5-merous. Wood reddish-grey, hard and close-grained, apparently not used. Vern. Tam. Chinna

thuvarei: Mal. Thovara kari.

20. Diospyros ovalifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1227; F. B. I. iii. 557. Deccan and Carnatic in most hilly regions in Nellore, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Trichinopoly, westwards to the drier slopes of the Gháts and to S. Travancore, in dry forests at low levels. A small evergreen tree with whitish flowers on the branchlets said to have a heartwood streaked with black. Vern. Tam. Vedukka nari.

21. Diospyros peregrina, Gürke in Engl. und Prantl. Naturl. Pflzm. iv. i. 164. D. Embryopteris, Pers.; F. B. I. iii. 556; Bedd. Fl. t. 69. Embryopteris glutenifera, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 70; Wt. Ic. tt. 843, 844. N. Circars, in hill forests, chiefly along streams; W. Coast, on river banks and backwaters, extending into the valleys of the Gháts; often cultivated.

A branching evergreen tree with large coriaceous leaves which are bright red when young, yellowish flowers and a large red velvety fruit with a viscid pulp used for paying the seams of boats. Bark dark grey, smooth; wood grey with darker streaks. Vern. Hind. Gáb; Ur. Gusva kendhu; Tel. Tumika; Tam. Tumbika; Mal. Paniccha.

Var. atrata, Thw. Buds and flowers covered with close black hairs. Leaves smaller. Evergreen forests of Travancore at about 4,000 ft.

(Bourdillon).

22. DIOSPYROS SULCATA, Bourd. For. Trees Trav. 255.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Travancore at low elevations

(Bourdillon).

A small tree with large leaves and flowers in sessile clusters with many bracts; fruit truncate-conical, 1 in. broad, 25 in. long, at first rusty-tomentose, deeply grooved with 8-10 grooves. Bark blackish-grey, smooth; wood brownish pink with occasional lines of black. Vern. Mal. Kari.

23. Diospyros Bourdilloni, Brandis Ind. Trees, 435, 713.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore,

in evergreen forests up to 2,500 ft.

A large tree with a black rough fluted stem and thick drooping foliage; flowers white; fruiting calyx cup-like, with short pointed lobes. Bark black; wood yellowish-grey with irregular rings of black and brown. Vern. *Tam.* Karun chatthi; *Mal.* Kari, Kodal, Therikka.

24. Diospyros Toposia, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iii. 556; Bedd. Ic. t. 122

(poor!),

Evergreen forests of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to 3,000 ft. A large tree with large closely reticulate leaves, pale yellow 4-merous flowers and a large ovoid green pubescent fruit. Said,

in Ceylon, to have a small black heartwood.

Diospyros philippensis, Gürke, D. discolor, Willd., is a tree with large oblong coriaceous leaves and large globose brown-hairy edible fruit, which is frequently met with in gardens. It is a native of the Philippine Islands.

#### Family XCVI. SYMPLOCACEAE.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, simple, sessile or shortly petioled; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, regular, axillary or terminal, solitary or in simple or compound spikes or racemes; bracts usually solitary at the base of each pedicel, bracteoles 1—3, both usually early caducous. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary, lobes 5, imbricate. Petals 5 in 1 series or more in 2 series, usually free or shortly connate at the base, sometimes connate in a tube, imbricate. Stamens usually numerous, many-seriate, adnate to the corolla-tube or the petals, most usually in groups; filaments filiform or flattened; anthers short, dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary inferior, usually 3-, rarely 2- or 4-, celled; ovules 2—4 in each cell, pendulous from the inner angle; style filiform; stigma capitate or slightly lobed. Fruit a cylindric or subglobose drupe, crowned by the calyx-lobes; stone usually woody, 1—3-seeded. Seeds oblong, testa thin, albumen fleshy; embryo straight or curved, the cotyledons very short.

## Symplocos, Linn.

#### CHARACTERS OF THE FAMILY.

Drupe ampulliform, globose, ribbed, 25 in. in diam., embryo curved; flowers in axillary usually 3-branched spikes up to about 3 in. long; leaves variable, coriaceous or chartaceous, elliptic or lanceolate, acute or acuminate, crenate

Drupe ovoid-oblong, not ampulliform; embryo straight:—

Inflorescence 4-many-flowered:-

Drupe glabrous:-

Leaves submembranous, bright green:-

Inflorescence few- under 4-flowered:-

Leaves coriaceous, small:-

1. SYMPLOCOS OLIGANDRA, Bedd. Ic. t. 272; F. B. I. iii. 574.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at 3,000—5,000 ft. (Beddome).

A small or medium-sized tree, characterised by the few stamens. 2. Symptocos spicata, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 573, Var. laurina; Wt. Ill.

t. 150.

E. Gháts, Hills of Vizagapatam, about 4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington); Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills and Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts in all Districts, in evergreen Shola forests, above 3,000 ft.

A small tree with white flowers. Bark thin, smooth, light grey; wood white, soft, even-grained, only used for fuel. Vern. *Hind*. Lodh; *Tam*. Kambli vetti; *Badaga* Boothgani.

3. Symplocos Candolleana, Brand Monog. 49.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills at 2,500 ft. (Beddome). A very large tree (Beddome), but very little known.

4. Symplocos Macrocarpa, Wight; F. B. I. iii. 582.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at 2,000—3,000 ft.

A much-branched, moderate-sized tree with white flowers and large white drupe. Bark smooth; wood white, soft. Vern. Tam. Paralei; Mal. Malam parala.

5. Symplocos kanarana, Talb. in Journ. Bomb. Nat. Hist. Soc. xi. 238,

t. 9.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests up to 2,000 ft.

A moderate-sized tree with yellow drupe, the flowers not known.

6. Symplocos Gardneriana, Wt. Ic. t. 1231; F. B. I. iii. 582.

W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 6,000 ft. (Talbot), Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore above 3,000 ft. in evergreen Shola forests.

A tree with white flowers and purple (Bourdillon) fruit.

Var. Hohenackeri, Gamble. S. Hohenackeri, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 582. S. Kurgensis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 576 Calyx-tube glabrous.

W. Gháts, Mercara in Coorg (Hohenacker).

7. Symplocos acuminata, Bedd. Ic. t. 117; F. B. I. iii. 583. S. tenella, Brand Monog. 54.

W. Gháts, from Wynaad to Travancore and Tinnevelly, at about

5,000 ft.

A graceful little tree with white flowers.

8. Symplocos Rosea, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 583; Bedd. Ic. t. 115.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly, at 2,000—4,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A small tree or large shrub with tawny-villous branchlets, pink

flowers and reddish drupe.

Var. glabrior, C. B. Clarke. Leaves rather thicker, more shining, less serrate, abruptly acuminate at apex; calyx-tube glabrous.

W. Gháts, Wynaad and hills of Travancore at 1,000-3,000 ft.,

a shrub.

SYMPLOCOS BARBERI, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1921, 219.
 W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly (Beddome, Barber).
 A small tree.

10. SYMPLOCOS OBTUSA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 583; Wt. Ic. t. 1233, Ill. t. 151 b.

W. Gháts, Sholas of Nilgiris and Pulneys above 6,000 ft., most common at high elevations like Doddabetta.

A glabrous tree with white flowers and shining leaves yellowish when dry.

11. SYMPLOCOS FOLIOSA, Wt. Ic. t. 1234; F. B. I. iii. 582. S. nervosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1235 not of A. DC

W. Gháts, Sholas of Nilgiris and Pulneys above 5,000 ft., com-

mon; hills of Travancore (Bourdillon).

A moderate-sized or large tree with characteristic reticulate serrate leaves and white flowers. Wood white, soft and even grained, only used for fuel. Pulney specimens have longer and more acuminate leaves but do not differ otherwise. Young plants and shoots have the branchlets and leaves strigosely hairy and the serratures more marked. Vern. Tam. Pal velloday.

- 12. Symplocos Beddomei, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 582.
  - W. Gháts, S. Canara, Malabar, Mysore and Coorg, at 2,000—4,000 ft.
  - A moderate-sized tree with white fragrant flowers and dark blue drupe turning yellow when dry.
- 13. Symplocos microphylla, Wt. Ic. t. 1232; F. B. I. iii. 581.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris about Avalanché and Sispara above 7,000 ft., in Shola woods.
  - A branching glabrous shrub about 6 ft. high.
- 14. Symplocos anamallayana, Bedd. Ic. t. 116; F. B. I. iii. 581.
  - W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills above 5,000 ft., in Shola woods (Beddome, Fischer).
  - A small tree.
- 15. Symplocos monantha, Wt. Ic. t. 1236; F. B. I. iii. 581.
  - W. Gháts, Sivagiri and other hills of Tinnevelly. A branching leafy shrub.
- 16. Symplocos pulchra, Wt. Ic. t. 1230, Spic. Neilgh. t. 143; F. B. I. iii. 583.
  - W. Gháts, Sispara in Nilgiris, at 4,000—5,000 ft., on stream banks. A diffuse shrub with large white flowers and long tawny hairs to the leaves and branchlets.
- 17. Symplocos VILLOSA, Brand Monog. 63.
  - W. Gháts, evergreen forests about Peermerd in Travancore at 3,000—4,000 ft.
  - A small much-branched tree with small white flowers.
- 18. SYMPLOCOS THEAEFOLIA, D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nep. 145; F. B. I. iii. 575. N. Circars, Madgol Hills of Vizagapatam at Rangalu and Gomangi, 3,000—4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington).
  - A small glabrous tree with bright shining leaves and very short inflorescence.
- 19. Symplocos pendula, Wt. Ic. t. 1237; F. B. I. iii. 587.
  - W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at 4,000
    —7,000 ft., in evergreen forests.
  - A small or moderate-sized tree with pink flowers, the drupes black when ripe.
- 20. Symplocos sessilis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 587.
  - W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly at 4,000—5,000 ft., in evergreen forests.
  - A small or moderate-sized tree with white or pinkish flowers and black drupe.

## Family XCVII. OLEACEAE.

Trees or erect or climbing shrubs, unarmed. Leaves opposite, very rarely alternate, simple 3-foliolate or pinnate, entire or toothed; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, often dimorphous, sometimes polygamous or dioecious, regular, usually in trichotomous terminal or axillary cymes or panicles, rarely fascicled or racemose. Calyx small, free, campanulate, truncate or lobed. Corolla usually gamopetalous, lobes 4—9 or 0, imbri-

cate or induplicate valvate; tube long or short. Stamens 2 (in Indian species), inserted on the corolla-tube, or, if petals free or 0, hypogynous; filaments usually short, anthers dehiscing laterally or subextrorsely. Ovary free, 2-celled; ovules 1—2 in each cell attached to the inner angle near the apex or base; style short or long; stigma simple or 2-lobed. Fruit a loculicidal capsule, or indehiscent, or a succulent berry or drupe. Seeds solitary or 2 in each cell, erect or pendulous; testa usually thin; albumen fleshy horny or 0; embryo straight; radicle inferior or superior.

Corolla-lobes imbricate:-

Seeds erect, radicle inferior:—
Shrubs, usually climbing; fruit of 2 berry-like carpels, one sometimes wanting
1. Jasminum

Corolla-lobes valvate: -

Erect trees or shrubs, leaves penninerved, radicle superior:

### 1. Jasminum, Linn.

Erect or climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite, rarely alternate, simple trifoliolate or imparipinnate. Flowers usually handsome, often sweet-scented, in terminal or axillary cymes, rarely solitary; bracts linear and small or ovate, sometimes petaloid; bracteoles usually linear. Calyxtube funnel-shaped or campanulate; lobes 4—9, usually linear. Corollatube narrow, more or less elongate; lobes 4—10, spreading, imbricate in bud. Stamens 2, usually included in the corollatube; anthers oblong, connective usually produced. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell, attached near the base; style filiform, long or short; stigma usually bifid. Fruit a didymous berry or simple by the suppression of one carpel; carpels globose ellipsoid or elongate. Seed in each carpel 1, rarely 2, erect; testa thin; albumen 0; cotyledons plano-convex; radicle inferior.

Leaves simple:— Calyx pubescent:—

Calyx-lobes linear subulate:—

Climbing shrubs:—
Bracts ovate, green, often absent; calyx-lobes 3—5 in. long; corollalobes about 8, elliptic-oblong, acute; leaves ovate, acute, cordate at base, pubescent or tomentose, up to 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad...2. pubescens. Bracts lanceolate, white; calyx-lobes 2—3 in. long; corolla lobes 5—7, oblong, obtuse; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, rounded or cordate at base, villous or subglabrous, up to 4 in. long, 1.5—2 in. broad 3. Rottlerianum.

Bracts subulate, filiform; calyx-lobes 25 in. long; corolla lobes about 6, narrowly oblong, acute or acuminate; leaves broadly ovate, abruptly,

Calyx-lobes very short, triangular, villous as are the lax cymes; corolla-lobes acute; leaves elliptic-ovate or ovate, acute, rounded or attenuate at base, softly grey-tomentose on both sides, up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad

7. Roxburghianum.

Calyx glabrous or nearly so:—

Calyx-lobes linear, subulate:— Calyx-lobes 25 in. long or longer:—

Climbing shrubs:—

9. sessiliflorum. Erect shrubs, sometimes subscandent; calyx-lobes up to ·35 in. long, sometimes under ·25 in., often minutely puberulous; cymes 1—3-flowered, the corolla-tube up to 1 in. long, lobes ·7 in., acute; leaves ovate, elliptic or lanceolate, acute, shining, coriaceous, nerves prominent.......10. rigidum.

Calyx-lobes less than 25 in. long:

Calyx-lobes minute, triangular, sometimes almost none; cymes terminal, trichotomous, paniculate, the pedicels short and slender; corolla-tube 2—3 in. long, slender, lobes about the same, narrow, linear; leaves ovate-lanceolate, scarcely acute, often almost rounded at base, up to 2.5 in. long, 1 in. broad

14. trichotomum.

Leaves compound:—
Leaves trifoliolate:—

Leaves with the two lower leaflets very small and frequently wanting; calyx-

lobes very small, ovate:-

Leaves with all three leaflets similar and present, the lateral lobes little smaller

than the terminal; calyx-lobes minute:-

Leaves opposite, glabrous, leaflets elliptic or ovate, acute to caudate-acuminate at apex, rounded or obtuse or truncate at base, the terminal one up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad; cymes lax, elongate, paniculate; corolla-tube 7-1 in. Leaves opposite or alternate, glabrous, leaflets broadly ovate or deltoid, obtuse or very shortly acute at apex, rounded or truncate at base, the terminal up to 2 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; cymes trichotomous, the end branches corymbose; corolla-tube .75 in. long, .3 in. broad, oblong; anthers acute 18. calophyllum.

Leaves imparipinnate:-Leaves opposite; corolla white, reddish beneath, lobes spreading, flowers in terminal corymbose panicles; calyx-lobes long and linear.....19. grandiflorum. Leaves alternate; corolla yellow, lobes recurved, flowers in short few-flowered cymes opposite the leaves; calyx-lobes very short......20. bignoniaceum.

1. Jasminum Sambac, Ait.; F. B. I. iii. 591; Wt. Ic. t. 704.

All Districts, doubtfully really wild but common near villages

as an escape from cultivation. Arabian Jasmine.

An erect or sometimes climbing small shrub with pubescent branchlets and fragrant white flowers. Cultivated plants have often double flowers, largely used for garlands. Vern. Hind. Mogra; Tam. Kodi mulli.

Var. Heyneanum, C. B. Clarke, a twining form with small ovate acuminate leaves and shorter calyx-lobes. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills, etc.

2. Jasminum pubescens, Willd.; F. B. I. iii. 592. J. hirsutum, Willd.; Wt. Ic. t. 702. J. bracteatum, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1248.

W. Gháts, in most Districts, up to 5,000 ft., but scarce, often

cultivated.

A climbing shrub with white flowers in dense capitate cymes and globose black carpels. Vern. Hind. Kundá.

3. Jasminum Rottlerianum, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 593; Wt. Ic. t. 1249.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, up to 5,000 ft.

A large extensively climbing shrub, usually very tawny villous but sometimes nearly glabrous. Flowers and bracts white, the cymes close and terminal, the carpels ellipsoid, black.

4. Jasminum Malabaricum, Wt. Ic. t. 1250; F. B. I. iii. 594.

W. Coast and W. Gháts in S. Canara, Mysore, Malabar and

W. Nilgiris up to about 4,000 ft.

A large climbing shrub with white fragrant flowers in loose trichotomous terminal cymes, the carpels ellipsoid.

Var. Lawii, C. B. Clarke. Leaves gradually acuminate, calyx-lobes shorter and corolla-lobes narrower. Taliparamba in Malabar (Barber).

5. Jasminum arborescens, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 594; Wt. Ic. t. 699.

J. latifolium, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 703.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, up to 3,000 ft. A large suberect or climbing shrub with white fragrant flowers and black ellipsoid usually solitary carpels. The leaves are sometimes grey-tomentose on both surfaces.

6. Jasminum scandens, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 595.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, up to 4,500 ft. (Barber, A. W. Lushington).

A climbing shrub with white flowers said to be sometimes tinged with pink, the carpels ellipsoid, usually solitary.

7. JASMINUM ROXBURGHIANUM, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 595.

Deccan, Ramandrúg Hills in Bellary, at 2,000 ft., Bababudan hills of Mysore (Law).

A villous climbing shrub, the carpels usually solitary, black, ellipsoid.

8. Jasminum cordifolium, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 596. J. erectiflorum, A. D.C.; Wt. Ic. t. 1251.

W. Gháts, Coimbatore and Nilgiris, up to 5,000 ft., hills of

Tinnevelly.

A large climbing shrub with spirally twisted stems, white flowers and ellipsoid carpels.

9. Jasminum sessiliflorum, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 597.

Carnatic, from Chingleput and S. Arcot to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts, southwards to the Tinnevelly Hills.

A branching climber with small leaves, white flowers and globose carpels.

Jasminum Rigidum, Zenk. Pl. Ind. Coimb. t. 6; F. B. I. iii. 598;
 Wt. Ic. t. 1247.

Deccan and Carnatic, in plains and hills, up to 5,000 ft., westwards to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts, common.

A rigid shrub with shining leaves, white flowers and black subglobose carpels. Vern. Tel. Uti, Pedda malli.

11. JASMINUM RITCHIEI, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 598.

W. Gháts, hills of Mysore, Nilgiris, Wynaad, in evergreen forests at low levels; Shevaroy Hills.

A branched climbing shrub with slender white flowers and

globose carpels.

12. Jasminum angustifolium, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 598; Wt. Ic. t. 698. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, on eastern side, down to S. Travancore.

A wiry climbing shrub with white flowers and ellipsoid carpels.

13. Jasminum Wightii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 598.
Bolampatti Valley of Coimbatore (Wight).
A wiry climber with very flexuous branches.

14. Jasminum trichotomum, Heyne, F. B. I. iii. 599.

W. Deccan, Coimbatore Hills, up to 2,000 ft.; Carnatic, in Tanjore; Paulghatcheri (Cleghorn).
A rather stiff climbing shrub.

15. Jasminum auriculatum, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 600; Wt. Ic. t. 700. J. affine, Wt. Ic. t. 1255. J. ovalifolium, Wt. Ic. t. 1296.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in all Districts, south to S. Travancore, westwards to the dry slopes of the W. Gháts, sometimes cultivated.

A climbing shrub with white flowers and globose black carpels.

16. Jasminum Brevilobum, A. DC.; F. B. I. iii. 600.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys above 3,000 ft., in Shola forest. A large climbing shrub with spirally twisted stems up to 1 ft.

in diameter and a curious wood-structure. Flowers white, carpels

black, globose.

17. Jasminum flexile, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 601; Wt. Ic. t. 1253.
W. Coast and W. Gháts, in all Districts, up to 5,000 ft.
A climbing shrub with white fragrant flowers and ellipsoid carpels.

Var. travancorense, Gamble. J. travancorense, Klein, in Wall. Cat. 2881, the terminal leaflet shining, not truncate at base, elliptic-oblong, the nerves, about 8 pairs, more prominent and prominently arched, the apex caudate.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore at low elevations.

18. Jasminum calophyllum, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 602. J. courtallense, Wt. Ic. t. 1252.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly, up to

4,000 ft.

A slender climber with white flowers and subglobose carpels.

19. Jasminum grandiflorum, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 603; Wt. Ic. t. 1257.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri in Ganjam (Fischer), hills of Vizagapatam (A. W. Lushington); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly above 5,000 ft., probably introduced and run wild, often cultivated.

A climbing shrub with fragrant flowers. Vern. Hind. Chambel. 20. Jasminum bignoniaceum, Wall.; Fyson Hillt. Fl. 276, J. humile, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 602 in part. J. revolutum, Sims, var. peninsulare,

A. DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1258.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Malabar and Travancore,

above 5,000 ft.

An erect shrub with angular branchlets, small leaflets, few rather large bright yellow flowers and black globose carpels.

## 2. Nyctanthes, Linn.

Shrubs or small trees. Leaves opposite, ovate, entire or toothed. Flowers in small sessile bracteate heads disposed in terminal trichotomous cymes. Calyx ovoid-cylindric, sub-truncate, finally splitting or deciduous. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric, orange; lobes 4—8, contorted in bud, spreading, white. Stamens 2, subsessile near the top of the corolla-tube. Ovary 2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell, erect, basal; style cylindric; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit an orbicular capsule, compressed parallel to the septum, separating when ripe into 2 1-seeded cells. Seed erect, flattened, testa thin; albumen 0; cotyledons flat; radicle inferior.

NYCTANTHES ARBOR-TRISTIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 603; Bedd. Fl. t. 240. N. Circars, in deciduous forests down to the Godavari, elsewhere

doubtfully wild but commonly cultivated.

A bushy shrub or small tree rough with stiff hairs. The yellow corolla-tubes give an orange dye and the flowers, which come out in the evening and fall off in the morning, are used in garlands, while the rough leaves may be used for polishing wood. Bark rough, light brown; wood pale red or yellowish-brown,

close-grained. Vern. Hind. Harsinghar; Ur. Godokodika; Tel. Poghada; Tam. Manjhapu.

#### 3. Schrebera, Roxb.

Trees. Leaves opposite, imparipinnate, leaflets opposite. Flowers in terminal 2-3-chotomous compound cymes; bracts small. Calyx campanulate, truncate or unequally 4-7-toothed. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric; lobes 4-7, imbricate in bud, then spreading. Stamens 2. near the top of the corolla-tube; filaments short. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 3-4 in each cell, pendulous from its apex; style cylindric; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a woody obovoid, loculicidally 2-valved capsule. Seeds pendulous; testa winked; albumen 0; cotyledons fleshy, flattened, with wavy longitudinal plaits; radicle superior.

Schrebera swieteniodes, Roxb.; Cor. Pl. t. 101; F. B. I. iii. 604;

Wt. Ill. t. 162; Bedd. Fl. t. 248.

N. Circars and Deccan, in deciduous forest, especially in Ganjam, Godavari and Kurnool; Forest of Mudumalai in S. E. Wynaad. A moderate-sized tree reaching about 50 ft. in height, the flower yellowish-brown covered with brown glands, the capsule about 2 in. long, the leaflets 7—9, glabrous or villous beneath. Bark grey, thick; wood brownish-grey, hard and close-grained, resembling boxwood in texture. Vern. Hind. Moka; Ur. Jantia, Nemiburo; Tel. Makkam; Tam. Mogalinga.

#### 4. Linociera, Swartz.

Shrubs or trees. Leaves opposite, entire. Flowers in axillary or lateral rarely terminal panicles or cymes; bracts small. Calyx small, 4-lobed. Corolla of 4 long or short petals, nearly free or connate in pairs, induplicate-valvate in bud. Stamens 2; filaments short, attached at the base of the petals; anthers dehiscing on the margin, connective broad. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell, pendulous from its apex; style short; stigma bifid or entire. Fruit a globose ellipsoid or oblong drupe; exocarp thin, endocarp bony or crustaceous. Seed usually solitary, pendulous; testa thin; albumen fleshy or 0, if fleshy the cotyledons flattened, radicle superior.

Seeds albuminous; flowers in clusters in few-branched cymes, the corolla-lobes '25

in. long; drupe ellipsoid:-

Calyx-lobes ovate, grey-pubescent; leaves elliptic or elliptic-oblong, obtuse or with a short abrupt acumen, cuneate at base, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, main Calyx-lobes rounded, nearly glabrous but ciliate; leaves elliptic, caudate-acuminate at apex, somewhat rounded at base, up to 4 in. long, 1.75 in. broad, main nerves about 8 pairs joining in loops at about 1 in. from the margin; ovary

Seeds exalbuminous; flowers in panicles, the corolla-lobes less than 25 in. long:-Panicles short, 1-1.25 in. long; calyx-lobes small, ciliate; corolla-lobes .15 in. 

Panicles more than 1.25 in. long:-

Drupe ellipsoid, 3—6 in. long; panicles up to 5 in. long; corolla-lobes 1—15 in. long; leaves elliptic or elliptic-oblong or -lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, shining, up to 7 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, more in young plants or shoots, main nerves prominent, regular, about 10—12 pairs, 3—5 in. apart on the midrib .....

1. Linociera Malabarica, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 607; Wt. Ic. t. 1246. Chionanthus malabarica, Bedd. Fl. t. 239, fig. in corner.

N. Circars, Palkonda hills of Vizagapatam, at 2,000 ft. (Gamble); Carnatic, Melpat and Javadis in S. Arcot (Barber, Fischer); W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests up to 4,000 ft.

A small or moderate-sized tree with white or yellowish-white flowers.

 LINOCIERA WIGHTH, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 608. Olea linocieroides, Wt. Ic. t. 1241.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forest, at low levels.

A small tree with white flowers.

 Linociera Zeylanica, Gamble n. comb. L. purpurea, Vahl; F. B. I. iii. 608.

Deccan and Carnatic, Ballipalle forests of Cuddapah at 1,000 ft., Nellore forests, Kambakam hills of Chingleput; W. Gháts, hills of S. Tinnevelly and Travancore at 1,000—2,000 ft.

A small tree with red (?) flowers. Wood white or yellowish-white, hard and close-grained like boxwood. Vern. Tel. Punisi, Panagam.

4. LINOCIERA INTERMEDIA, Wt. Ic. t. 1245; F. B. I. iii. 609. Chionanthus intermedia, Bedd. Fl. t. 239 (leaves bad).

N. Circars, hill forest, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri, etc., south to the Godavari, west to Jeypore; Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills, Kollimalai hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, from Mysore and Coimbatore southwards, up to 5,000 ft., on E. side.

A large tree with white flowers. Bark light yellowish-brown; wood white, moderately hard, close-grained.

5. Linociera macrophylla, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 610.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in forest, especially about Surada at 1,500 ft.; Pulney Hills (Bourne)?; hills of Travancore at 4,000 ft. in moist forest (Bourdillon).

A tree with white flowers and oblong drupes, the leaves distinct by the distant nerves. The Travancore specimens have smaller leaves than those from the north, but seem otherwise to belong to the same species.

 LINOCIERA COURTALLENSIS, Bourd. Trav. Trees 260. L. leprocarpa, Thw. var. courtallensis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 609. Chionan-

thus courtallensis, Bedd.

W. Gháts, about Courtallum in Tinnevelly; Peermerd and Cardamom Hills of Travancore at 3,000—5,000 ft. in evergreen forests.

A medium-sized tree with white flowers and a brownish-purple ovoid drupe 1 in. long (Bourdillon).

### 5. Olea, Linn.

Shrubs or trees. Leaves opposite, entire or toothed. Flowers small, hermaphrodite diœcious or polygamous, in axillary or lateral rarely terminal panicles; bracts small. Calyx small, 4-lobed. Corolla rotate or campanulate; lobes 4, valvate, often induplicate. Stamens 2, on the corolla-tube or subhypogynous; filaments short, connective broad, anthers dehiscing marginally. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style short; stigma capitate or bifid. Fruit an ellipsoid or subglobose drupe; exocarp fleshy, endocarp bony or crustaceous. Seed usually solitary, pendulous; testa thin; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat; radicle superior.

1. OLEA GLANDULIFERA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 612; Wt. Ic. t. 1238; Bedd. Fl. t. 238. O. Bournei, Fyson in Kew Bull. 1914, 186.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri; Deccan, Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 5,000 ft.; W. Gháts in almost all districts, in Shola forests above 4,000 ft.

A moderate-sized tree with white flowers and an ovoid drupe. The South Indian trees (O. Bournei) have more rounded leaves with fewer main nerves than those of N. India, but otherwise seem to be the same. Bark grey; wood reddish-grey, hard. Vern. Badaga, Kunthay.

2. OLEA DIOICA, ROXD.; F. B. I. iii. 612; Wt. III. t. 151.

W. Gháts, all Districts, up to about 5,000 ft., both in deciduous and evergreen forest.

A moderate-sized or large tree with creamy white flowers, variable leaves and an ovoid blue drupe. Bark brown, rough; wood pale brown, hard. Vern. Tam. Koli, Payar, Yedalei; mal. Edana.

3. OLEA POLYGAMA, Wt. Ic. tt. 1239, 1240; F. B. I. iii. 613.
W. Gháts, between Avalanché and Sispara, Nilgiris, about 7,000 ft., in Shola forest.
A small tree with many pretty white flowers, the drupe unknown.

# 6. Ligustrum, Linn.

Shrubs or trees; branchlets often lenticellate. Leaves opposite, entire. Flowers white, in terminal often thyrsoid panicles, the lower nodes often bracteate. Calyx small, truncate or shortly 4-toothed. Corolla funnel-shaped, the tube short or long; lobes 4, induplicate-valvate. Stamens 2, on the corolla-tube; anthers oblong or rounded,

included or exserted. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2 in each cell, pendulous; style rather long; stigma subclavate. Fruit a 1—3-seeded drupe, endocarp chartaceous or thin. Seeds pendulous; testa thin; albumen fleshy; radicle short, superior.

- 1. LIGUSTRUM WALKERI, Dene; F. B. I. iii. 614.
  - W. Gháts in most Districts, up to 5,000 ft.; Shevaroy Hills and Kollimalai Hills (?).
  - A small tree with large bracteate panicles, large leaves and lenticellate branchlets.
- 2. LIGUSTRUM ROXBURGHII, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 615. Olea robusta, Wt. Ic. t. 1242.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Coimbatore, at 4,000—6,000 ft. in Shola forest, especially about Coonoor and on other E. slopes.

A small or medium-sized tree with broad panicles, rather large leaves and lenticellate branchlets. Wood white, close-grained.

3. Ligustrum travancoricum, Gamble in Kew Bull., 1922, 119.
W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at about 4,500 ft. (Bourdillon).

A small tree with depressed panicles and long-acuminate, long-petioled coriaceous leaves.

4. LIGUSTRUM PERROTTETII, A. DC.; F. B. I. iii. 615; Wt. Ic. t. 1244. L. neilgherrense, Wt. Ic. t. 1243; F. B. I. iii. 615.

W. Cháts, Nilgiri Hills, on the banks of streams at 6,000—7,000 ft., common, Pulneys, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly, more scarce.

A large shrub resembling the European Privet (L. vulgare, Linn.) but with larger flowers.

Var. obovatum, Gamble. L. neilgherrense, Wt. var. obovata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 615. Leaves obovate, obtuse, panicles larger. Bababudan hills of Mysore (Law).

5. LIGUSTRUM DECAISNEI, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iii. 616.

W.\* Gháts, hills of Coimbatore, Nilgiris, hills of Madura and Tinnevelly, on Eastern slopes usually, up to 5,000 ft.

A shrub with rough branchlets, small leaves and flowers.

Var. microphylla, C. B. Clarke. L. microphyllum, Wt.; leaves lanceolate, narrow, acuminate; panicles rather longer.

W. Gháts, Sivagiri and Courtallum Hills of Tinnevelly.

Var. Beddomei, Gamble. L. microphyllum, Bedd. Fl. Sylv. cliv; leaves very small, under 1 in. long, ovate, acute; panicles slender, with distant branches.

Coorg, about Kiggatnad (Beddome).

Ligustrum lucidum, Ait., is a Chinese species frequently found in gardens in the Hills.

#### 7. Myxopyrum, Blume.

Large scandent shrubs; branches 4-angular. Leaves opposite, triplicostate, entire or serrulate. Flowers small, yellowish, in axillary or terminal trichotomous panicles; bracts minute or 0. Calyx-tube short; lobes 4. Corolla-tube urceolate; lobes 4, induplicate-valvate in bud. Stamens 2, on the base of the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers ovate. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 1—2 in each cell; style very short; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a 1—2-seeded subglobose berry; pericarp crustaceous. Seeds erect, testa membranous; albumen thick; cotyledons flat, ovate; radicle inferior.

Myxopyrum serratulum, A. W. Hill in Kew Bull. 1910, 41. M.

smilacifolium, Bl.; F. B. I. iii. 618 in part.

W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalai Hills and hills of Travancore, in

evergreen forests, at 2,000-3,000 ft.

A large climbing shrub with serrulate lanceolate acuminate leaves which have prominent side ribs forming a looped nerve to which the few main nerves are joined.

### Family XCVIII. SALVADORACEAE.

Shrubs or trees, unarmed or spiny. Leaves opposite, entire; stipules minute or 0. Flowers small, hermaphrodite or diocious, in panicled spikes or racemes. Calyx free, campanulate or ovoid, 3—5-lobed. Corolla shortly campanulate or the petals free; lobes 4, imbricate in blood. Stamens 4, on the corolla-tube or hypogynous, alternate with the corolla-lobes; anthers ovate. Ovary superior, 1—2-celled; ovules 1—2 in each cell; style short; stigma 2-fid or subentire. Fruit a berry or drupe, usually 1-seeded. Seed erect, globose; albumen 0; cotyledons fleshy, plano-convex.

### 1. Salvadora, Linn.

Shrubs or trees. Leaves opposite, entire. Flowers small, sessile or pedicelled, in panicled spikes or racemes; bracts minute. Calyx campanulate, 4-lobed. Corolla campanulate, tube short, lobes 4. Stamens 4, inserted at the base or middle of the corolla-tube. Disk of 4 small

scales or glands or 0. Ovary 1-celled; ovule solitary; style very short or 0; stigma truncate. Drupe globose, supported by the persistent calyx and corolla; endocarp crustaceous. Seed erect, globose.

Salvadora persica, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 619; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 26.

S. indica, Wt. Ill. t. 181. S. Wightiana, Bedd. Fl. t. 247.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in open places, especially on saline lands and often on black cotton soil. Tooth-brush tree.

A large evergreen shrub or small tree with short trunk, very small flowers and fruit and rather small ovate-oblong obtuse petioled greyish-green leaves. Bark thin, grey; wood white, soft. The twigs are used as tooth-cleaners. Vern. Hind. Jhal; Tel. Waragu-wenki; Tam. Opa.

### 2. Azima, Lamk.

Rambling shrubs with axillary spines. Leaves opposite, entire. Flowers directious, small, axillary, sessile or clustered on the branches of a slightly branched panicle; bracts 0 or foliaceous; bracteoles linear. Calyx campanulate, in & 4-fid, in Q irregularly 2—4-lobed. Corolla of 4 free narrow imbricate petals. Stamens 4; filaments slender. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 1 or 2 in each cell, erect; stigma subsessile, large. Fruit a globose usually 1-seeded berry; endocarp membranous. Seeds 1—2, globose.

AZIMA TETRACANTHA, Lamk.; F. B. I. iii. 620; Wt. Ill. t. 152. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, especially near the coast, in hedges

and thickets.

A straggling shrub with pale almost quadrangular branchlets, greyish-green shining leaves with 2—3 pairs of prominent nerves from the base, mucronate tips and straight spines from the axils. The white berries are eaten. Vern. Tel. Tella upi; Tam. Ichanka.

## Family XCIX. APOCYNACEAE.

Trees or erect or climbing shrubs, rarely herbs. Leaves opposite or whorled, rarely alternate, entire; stipules 0. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite, in terminal or axillary cymes, often large and showy; bracts small. Calyx inferior; lobes 5, imbricate, often with glands within at the base. Corolla usually salver-shaped or funnel-shaped; lobes 5, rarely 4, contorted and often twisted in bud, overlapping to right or left. Stamens 5, rarely 4, alternate with the corolla-lobes, inserted in the corolla-tube or on its mouth; filaments usually short; anthers linear-oblong or sagittate, free or connivent in a cone and adherent to the stigma by the connective, anther cells dehiscing longitudinally, sometimes produced at the base in empty spurs. Disk 0 or annular or cupular or reduced to 2-5 scales or glands. Ovary 1-celled with 2 parietal placentas or 2-celled with axile placentas, or of 2 distinct or partially connate carpels; ovules 2 or few or many, rarely solitary; style simple or divided at the base; stigma usually ending in an entire or bifid apiculus. Fruit a dry or fleshy drupe berry or samara, or of 2 baccate or follicular mericarps. Seeds various, often compressed, sometimes winged, sometimes with a tuft of hairs (coma) at one or both ends; albumen hard, fleshy, or scanty or 0; embryo straight; cotyledons flat, concave convolute or contracted; radicle superior.

Anthers included, free from the stigma, the cells rounded at the base:—
Ovary of 2 wholly combined carpels, 1—2-celled; seeds without wing or coma:—

Ovary 1-celled; fruit 2-valved:-

Leaves alternate; corolla large and showy, the lobes overlapping to left:—

Corolla funnel-shaped; fruit indehiscent:-

Calyx not glandular within; fruit of 2 1- or many-seeded drupes or

follicles:-

Fruit indehiscent, drupaceous; seeds few, without wings or coma:-

Corolla-lobes overlapping to the left:-

Herbaceous plants with opposite leaves; seeds truncate at both ends

Trees or shrubs with whorled leaves; seeds ciliate at both ends

7. Alstonia.

Calyx glandular within, fruit of 2 follicular mericarps:— Follicles many-seeded, linear:—

Corolla-tube dilated at the base, lobes overlapping to the left; leaves with conspicuous horizontal impressed main nerves...........10. Rejoua. Corolla-tube slightly dilated near the top, lobes overlapping to the left or right; leaves with slender oblique main nerves........11. Ervatamia.

Anthers included or exserted, conniving in a cone round and adherent to the stigma, the cells produced at base in an empty spur; fruit of 2 follicular mericarps with comose seeds:—

Anthers exserted:-

Climbing shrubs; coma of the seeds terminal:—

Anthers included:-

Mouth of corolla with a ring of scales:—

Erect shrubs with whorled leaves and pink flowers; corolla lobes not tailed

Nerium.

Spreading or climbing shrubs with opposite leaves; corolla-lobes tailed
15. Strophanthus.

Mouth of corolla naked; leaves opposite; climbing shrubs:— Corolla very large, white; leaves very large:—

Follicles very slender, narrow; tips of corolla-lobes deflected

20. Ichnocarpus.

#### 1. Chilocarpus, Blume.

Climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite, petioled, the main nerves horizontal, close and usually joining in an intramarginal nerve. Flowers small, in axillary cymes. Calyx short, eglandular; lobes 5. Corolla hypocrateriform, contracted at the throat; lobes 5, short, overlapping to the left, twisted to the right. Stamens inserted on the tube, included; anthers lanceolate, acute. Disk 0. Ovary 1-celled with 2 parietal placentas; ovules many, 2-seriate; style short; stigma ovoid or conical. Fruit a fleshy berry, at length 2-valved, pericarp thick. Seeds embedded in pulp with fibrous and corky arils; albumen copious, equable or ruminate; cotyledons flat; radicle elongate.

CHILOCARPUS ATRO-VIRIDIS, Bl.; F. B. I. iii. 626. C. malabaricus,

Bedd. Ic. t. 175.

W. Gháts in S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore, in evergreen

forests up to 2,000 ft.

A large climber with milky juice and small whitish flowers and oblong abruptly acuminate shining leaves up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, the main nerves very many and parallel. The fruit is not known.

### 2. Carissa, Linn.

Much-branched spinous shrubs, erect or climbing. Leaves opposite, coriaceous, the spine-bearing pairs usually larger than the intermediate ones. Flowers in terminal and axillary pedunculate trichotomous cymes. Calyx 5-lobed, the lobes acute or acuminate. Corolla hypocrateriform; tube cylindric, dilated at top opposite the stamens, more or less pubescent within; lobes 5, usually overlapping to the right, about half the length of the tube. Stamens 5, on the corolla-tube, included; anthers lanceolate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 1—4 in each cell, rarely more; style filiform; stigma fusiform or columnar, minutely 2-fid. Fruit an ellipsoid ovoid or globose berry, 2- or, by abortion, 1-celled. Seeds usually 2 or 4, peltately attached to the septum; albumen fleshy; cotyledons ovate; radicle inferior.

Corollas medium-sized, the tube 4-6 or -7 in. long; berry 4-seeded:-

CARISSA CARANDAS, Linn.; F. B. I. iii. 630; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 77;
 Wt. Ic. t. 426.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry forests; often cultivated. A large thorny shrub or small tree with white or pale rose-coloured flowers and red berry turning purple or black on ripening and good to eat, especially in tarts and preserves. Bark yellowish-brown; wood white with an irregular grey-or orange-yellow streaked heartwood, used to make combs and spoons and as fuel. The thorny branches are used for fencing. Vern. *Hind.* Karaunda; *Ur.* Kerendo kuli; *Tel.* Kalivi; *Tam.* Kalaaha, Kila.

2. CARISSA INERMIS, Vahl. C. macrophylla, Wall; F. B. I. iii. 631; C. suavissima, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 632.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam (Barber); W. Gháts, in almost all Districts, in evergreen forests, up to 6,000 ft.

A large climbing shrub with white flowers and edible purple fruit, sometimes, perhaps, found as a bush. Bark brown, rough, peeling off in small flakes; wood white, soft.

3. CARISSA CONGESTA, Wt. Ic. t. 1289. C. Carandas, Linn. var. congesta, Bedd.; F. B. I. iii. 631.

W. Gháts, Mysore, Coorg and S. Canara.

An erect shrub with rather thin leaves and white flowers.

4. Carissa spinarum, Linn. Mant. 559; F. B. I. iii. 631. C. diffusa, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 427.

N. Circars and Carnatic, down to S. Travancore, in dry scrub forests, less common inland.

A large thorny shrub with zigzag branches. Wood like that of C. Carandas. Vern. Hind. Karaunda; Tam. Chiru kila.

Var. microphylla, Gamble. Smaller with smaller leaves, often scarcely 5—75 in. long and prominently nerved and smaller flowers, the corolla-tube sometimes less than 4 in.

Carnatic, from Madras southwards to S. Travancore, near the coast.

5. Carissa Hirsuta, Roth. C. spinarum var. hirsuta, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 631. C. villosa, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 437.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry hilly country, up to 3,000 ft.: Nellore (Ramaswami), Anantapur (Gamble), Walliar, Ayamalai Hills (Wight), Coimbatore (Fischer).

A thorny shrub with white flowers and black-purple berry, the grey-tomentose branchlets and leaves very characteristic, but sometimes nearly glabrous.

6. Carissa gangetica, Stapf in Herb. Kew.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. (Gamble, Fischer and Gage). A thorny shrub.

7. Carissa salicina, Lamk. Encycl. i. 554.

Deccan, Hassanur in Coimbatore (Herb. Madras). A thorny shrub with narrow leaves, the spines simple. Perhaps only a rather larger-leaved form of the next.

8. Carissa paucinervia, A. DC.; F. B. I. iii. 631; Wt. Ic. t. 1290. Deccan, hills of Mysore, Salem and Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills at 4,000—6,000 ft. on E. side, common. A diffuse bushy shrub with many sharp spines, white or slightly rose-coloured flowers and small dark purple edible berries.

### 3. Cerbera, Linn.

Small glabrous trees. Leaves alternate or scattered, long, main nerves slender, horizontal and parallel. Flowers large, white or red, in pseudoterminal cymes. Calyx 5-lobed, eglandular, lobes long. Corolla large, tube cylindric below, funnel-shaped above the throat with 5 villous scales; lobes 5, spreading, over-lapping to the left. Stamens small, included; anthers lanceolate, apiculate, the cells rounded at base. Disk 0. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; ovules 4 in each carpel, on both sides of a thick placenta. Fruit of 1, rarely 2, globose or ellipsoid drupes; pericarp very thick, fibrous and woody. Seeds broad, compressed, peltately attached to the enlarged placenta; albumen none; cotyledons thin; radicle very short.

CERBERA MANGHAS, Linn. C. Odollam, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iii. 638; Wt.

Ic. t. 441.

E. and W. Coast, in salt swamps and backwaters.

A moderate-sized or small tree with lanceolate or oblanceolate bright green fleshy leaves, large white flowers and large green fruit with fibrous pericarp. Wood grey, very soft and spongy. Vern. Tam. Kada má, Kat arali; Mal. Othalam.

## 4. Rauwolfia, Linn.

Shrubs, glabrous or rarely pubescent. Leaves 3- to 4-nately whorled, rarely opposite, the main nerves slender and usually arched. Flowers

in corymbose or umbellate cymes, the peduncles alternate with the terminal leaves or axillary. Calyx 5-lobed, eglandular. Corolla-tube cylindric, dilated opposite the stamens, the mouth constricted, the throat usually hairy within; lobes usually 5, overlapping to the left. Stamens 5, included, on the corolla-tube; filaments very short; anthers small, acute, the cells rounded at base. Disk cup-shaped or annular. Ovary of 2 distinct or connate carpels; ovules 2 in each carpel, collateral; style filiform; stigma calyptriform at the base, the tip bifid. Fruit of 2 connate or distinct drupes, each with a crustaceous 1-seeded pyrene. Seeds ovoid; testa thin; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat; radicle superior.

Corolla-tube short and narrow, slender, dilated at top, lobes short; calyx-lobes very short:—

1. RAUWOLFIA SERPENTINA, Benth. ex Kurz; F. B. I. iii. 632. Ophioxylon serpentinum, Linn.; Wt. Ic. t. 849.

W. Ghâts, in all Districts, in moist forest undergrowth, at low

levels and up to 3,000 ft.

A herbaceous undershrub with red pedicels and calyx, white corolla and purplish-black fruit. The root is used in medicine. Vern. *Hind*. Choto chand; *Tel*. Patalgani; *Tam*. Chivan amelpodi.

2. RAUWOLFIA DENSIFLORA, Benth. ex Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 633. Ophio-xylon ceylanicum, Wt. Ic. t. 1291. O. neilgherrense, Wt. Ic. t. 1292. E. Gháts, Rumpa Hills of Godavari, 4,000 ft. (Gamble); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 4,000—7,000 ft.

A rather large shrub, sometimes reaching 12 ft. in height with white or pink flowers and brownish-purple fruit.

3. RAUWOLFIA MICRANTHA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 633.

W. Gháts, Malabar (Wight) and Travancore (Rama Rao) near Kottvam.

A slender shrub, apparently very scarce.

4. RAUWOLFIA BEDDOMEI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iii. 634. Tabernaemontana verticillata, Bedd. Fl. Sylv. clix.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore (Beddome). A large dichotomously branched glabrous shrub with very slender inflorescence and pointed carpels.

R. canescens, Linn., is a small W. Indian shrub found in gardens and sometimes run wild in the neighbourhood of Madras. The fruits are red.

# 5. Hunteria, Roxb.

Glabrous trees. Leaves opposite, coriaceous, shining, with many slender main nerves. Flowers in short terminal axillary or subterminal cymes. Calyx small, 5-lobed, eglandular. Corolla salver-shaped, tube cylindric, slightly dilated near the top, lobes overlapping to the left. Stamens inserted at the dilation of the tube; anthers lanceolate, the cells rounded at base. Disk 0. Ovary of 2 carpels; ovules 2—4 to each carpel. Fruit of 2 stalked fleshy ovoid berries, each 1-seeded or 2-celled by the intruded placenta. Seeds ovoid or oblong; albumen fleshy; cotyledons ovate; radicle straight.

Hunteria corymbosa, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 637; Wt. Ic. t. 428; Bedd. Fl. t. 265.

Var. Roxburghiana, Trim. H. Roxburghiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1294.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Travancore and Tinnevelly at 1,000-2,000 ft.

A small tree with pale yellow flowers and narrow linear lanceolate shining leaves with many nearly parallel main nerves meeting in an intramarginal nerve and up to 6 in. long, 75 in. broad. Bark light brown, thin; wood brownish yellow, hard and closegrained.

# 6. Lochnera, Reichb.

Annual or perennial herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, axillary glands numerous. Flowers axillary, solitary or in pairs, white or pink. Calyx 5-lobed, eglandular; lobes subulate. Corolla salvershaped; tube slender, cylindric, inflated over the stamens below the constricted mouth; lobes overlapping to the left. Stamens on the corolla-tube; anthers lanceolate, acute. Disk of 2 linear glands. Ovary of 2 free carpels; ovules numerous, 2-seriate; style filiform; stigma depressed-capitate with a reflexed hyaline frill at base, the apiculus 2-lobed. Fruit of 2 half divaricate slender cylindric follicles. Seeds numerous, small; testa muriculate; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat, shorter than the thick radicle.

LOCHNERA PUSILLA, K. Schum. Vinca pusilla, Murr.; F. B. I. iii. 640. Plains Districts of the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, up to 2,000 ft., a common weed, more scarce on W. Coast.

A branching glabrous annual with small white flowers, follicles about 2 in. long and lanceolate membranous leaves, the seeds oblong, black and muriculate in lines. Said to be poisonous to cattle (Lawson).

L. rosea, Reichb., is a common garden shrub with rose-coloured or white flowers and obovate shining leaves. It probably came from the W. Indies and is sometimes found run wild.

### 7. Alstonia, R. Br.

Trees or shrubs, branches often in whorls. Leaves generally whorled, rarely opposite, often with numerous nearly horizontal parallel main nerves. Flowers in subterminal corymbose cymes. Calyx-tube short; lobes 5, eglandular. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric, dilated opposite the stamens; lobes overlapping either to the right or left. Stamens usually near the top of the tube, included; anthers acute. Disk annular or lobed or 0, if lobed the lobes 2 alternate with the carpels. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; ovules many in each carpel, many-seriate; style filiform; stigma oblong or cylindric, bifid at apex. Fruit of 2 linear slender follicular mericarps. Seeds linear or oblong, flattened, peltately attached, furnished with tufts of long brown hairs at each end; testa thin, often papillose; albumen scanty; cotyledons oblong, flat; radicle superior.

A large tree, branches whorled; leaves 4—7 in a whorl, coriaceous, elliptic-oblong or obovate or oblanceolate, obtuse at apex, pale beneath; flowers in umbellate cymes, the corolla-tube short, follicles 1—2 ft. long; seeds papillose......1. scholaris. A shrub, branches opposite or whorled; leaves 3—6 in a whorl, membranous, narrowly oblong-lanceolate, acuminate at apex, slightly pale beneath; flowers in corymbose cymes, the corolla-tube long; follicles 3—5 in. long; seeds not papillose

 Alstonia scholaris, R. Br.; F. B. I. iii. 642; Wt. Ic. t. 422; Bedd. Fl. t. 242.

N. Circars, not very common; Deccan, in deciduous forests; W. Gháts, in all Districts, both in deciduous and evergreen

forests, up to 2,000 ft.

A large evergreen tree with greenish white flowers and long very narrow pendulous follicles. Bark dark grey, rough, lenticellate; wood white, soft, even-grained, used for boxes and temporary purposes, but not durable. Vern. Hind. Satiún; Ur. Chhatiana; Tel. Eda-kula; Tam. Mukampalei; Mal. Pála.

2. Alstonia venenata, R. Br.; F. B. I. iii. 642; Wt. Ic. t. 436.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Godavari, up to 2,000 ft.; W. Gháts, hills of Coimbatore, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, up to 6,000 ft.

A shrub with long white flowers and fusiform follicles stalked and beaked, the leaves long and very closely nerved. Bark thin,

light brown; wood white, even-grained.

## 8. Ellertonia, Wight.

Glabrous climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite or 3—4-nately whorled. Flowers slender, in subterminal cymes. Calyx small, eglandular, lobes 5. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric, slightly dilated over the stamens; throat naked, constricted; lobes 5, narrow, overlapping to the left. Stamens in the middle of the tube, included; anthers lanceolate, apiculate, the cells obtuse at base. Disk 0. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels;

ovules numerous in each carpel; style filiform; stigma oblong with a 2-fid apiculus. Fruit of 2 completely divaricate linear terete follicles. Seeds 2-seriate, flattened, peltately attached to the placenta, winged at both ends; testa membranous; albumen scanty; cotyledons thin, elliptic-oblong; radicle superior.

Ellertonia Rheedii, Wt. Ic. t. 1295; F. B. I. iii. 641.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests from Coorg to Travancore and

Tinnevelly, up to 3,000 ft.

A climber with elliptic acuminate leaves about 3 in. long, slender flowers and divaricate follicles about 5 in. long, spotted outside and with seeds acuminately winged below, rounded above, in all nearly 1 in. long, 2 in. broad in the middle.

## 9. Holarrhena, R. Br.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves opposite, membranous, glabrous or pubescent. Flowers white, in terminal or axillary corymbose cymes. Calyx 5-lobed, usually glandular within at the base; lobes narrow. Corolla salver-shaped; tube slender, cylindric, slightly dilated opposite to the stamens; lobes oblong or obovate, overlapping to the right. Stamens near the base of the tube, included; anthers lanceolate, mucronate, the cells rounded at the base. Disk none. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; ovules many in each carpel; style short; stigma oblong-fusiform, the tip bifid. Fruit of 2 terete elongate follicular mericarps connected at the tip, then free. Seeds linear or oblong, concave within, tipped at the apex with a deciduous coma of long silky brown hairs; albumen scanty; cotyledons broad, complicate, radicle short, superior.

HOLARRHENA ANTIDYSENTERICA, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 644; Brand. For. Fl. t. 40. H. Codaga, G. Don; Wt. Ic. t. 1297. Chonemorpha (?)

antidysenterica, G. Don; Wt. Ic. t. 439.

All Forest Districts, in deciduous forests, up to 3,000 ft., common. A small tree with white flowers, very long narrow pendulous follicles and large membranous, glabrous or pubescent, ovate to ovate-oblong or elliptic leaves. Bark thick, brown, rough; wood white, soft, even grained, used for carving and turning in N. India, rarely in the South. Vern. Hind. Karchi; Ur. Kherwa; Tel. Pala, Kodaga; Tam. Vepali; Mal. Kodaga pala.

# 10. Rejoua, Gaudich.

Small trees, with resinous exudations at the bases of the leaves, at the bifurcations of the inflorescence and on the flower buds. Leaves opposite, coriaceous, main nerves strong, horizontal, impressed. Flowers in stout long-peduncled cymes. Calyx thick; lobes 5, suborbicular with many glands at the base within. Corolla large, salver-shaped; tube cylindric, swollen at the base; lobes oblong, falcate, overlapping to the left. Stamens 5, half-way down the tube; anthers lanceolate, their base rounded. Ovary of 2 carpels; ovules numerous; style short; stigma bifid. Fruit of 1-2 large recurved follicular mericarps. Seeds many, buried in red pulp, without coma; albumen copious; cotyledons

REJOUA DICHOTOMA, Gamble n. comb. Tabernaemontana dichotoma, Roxb.; F. B. I. iii. 645; Wt. Ic. t. 433.

W. Gháts, Malabar, at low levels.

A small tree with stout woody resinous branches, oblong or obovate coriaceous leaves with about 20 main nerves at right angles to the midrib and meeting in loops, impressed above. Flowers large, white with a yellow tube; follicles 4—5 in. long, 1—2 in. broad, orange-yellow.

#### 11. Ervatamia, Stapf.

Shrubs or small tree, usually glabrous. Leaves opposite; axillary stipules usually distinct; axillary glands small, often numerous. Flowers in terminal or axillary corymbose or umbelliform cymes, often in pairs; branches dichotomous. Calyx small; lobes 5, free or connate at the base, glandular inside. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric, slightly dilated towards the naked mouth, opposite the stamens, villous below the dilation; lobes 5, overlapping to the left or right, much folded in bud. Stamens included; filaments short; anthers linear, acute or mucronate. Disk 0. Ovary of 2-carpels, distinct or slightly cohering; ovules numerous, many-seriate; style long, filiform; stigma clavate or oblong with a bifid apiculus. Fruit of 2 follicular mericarps, coriaceous when mature, obliquely ovoid to lanceolate, usually curved and beaked, dehiscing along the ventral suture and often opening out flat. Seeds few to many, enveloped in an orange or red aril, grooved ventrally; testa crustaceous, furrowed; albumen copious, waxy; cotyledons flat, cordate: radicle cylindric.

Lobes of corolla overlapping to right, in bud nearly globose:—
Corolla-tube slender and narrow, '6—8 in. long, dilated at or a little above the middle; calyx-lobes unequal, oblong, ciliate; follicles ovate, long beaked, 1—(?)-seeded; leaves elliptic-obovate, long and abruptly caudate acuminate at apex, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves regular, about 10—12 pairs, arched

1. Ervatamia coronaria, Stapf in Fl. Trop. Afr. iv. 127. Tabernae-montana coronaria, R. Br.; F. B. I. iii. 646; Wt. Ic. t. 477.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam at 2,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington), the slender-flowered wild form of N. India. The form commonly cultivated in gardens has a thick corolla-tube, and is often with double flowers.

A shrub reaching 6—8 ft. in height, with white scented flowers, the crustaceous seeds with a red fleshy aril. Vern. *Hind*. Togar.

2. ERVATAMIA CAUDATA, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1921, 310.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Barber, Fischer); hills of Tinnevelly (Wight, Barber, Hooper and Ramaswami), at 2,500—4,000 ft., in evergreen forest.

A shrub with white flowers and (one specimen only seen) 1-seeded follicle.

3. Ervatamia Heyneana, T. Cooke Fl. Bomb. ii. 134. Tabernae-montana Heyneana, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 646.

W. Gháts, in Malabar and Travancore, in open forest, up to 3,000 ft.

A small deciduous tree with white flowers and orange-yellow follicles, the seed arils red. Bark grey; wood white and pale grey in streaks, smooth, moderately hard. Vern. Mar. Nág kuda.

### 12. Parsonsia, R. Br.

Twining shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers, small, white, in terminal or axillary dichotomous cymes or thyrses. Calyx 5-lobed; tube with 5 scales within or eglandular. Corolla salver-shaped; tube short, cylindric or globose, the throat naked; lobes 5, overlapping to the right. Stamens inserted on the tube; filaments often spirally twisted; anthers half-exsert, oblong-lanceolate or linear, acute, conniving round the stigma and adhering to it, the cells spurred and empty below. Disk of 5 lobes or scales. Ovary 2-celled, cells many-ovuled; style filiform, the top dilated, truncate; stigma columnar or elongate-conic. Fruit of 2 follicular mericarps, long cohering, but at length separated from the 2 placentas. Seeds linear or fusiform, attenuated at the ends, with a coma of long silky hairs; testa striate; albumen scanty; cotyledons linear-oblong, flat; radicle superior.

Parsonsia spiralis, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 650. Heligme Rheedii, Wt. Ic. t. 1303.

W. Coast, along backwaters in Travancore; W. Gháts, Hills of Coimbatore and Anamalais up to 3,000 ft.; Kollimalai hills of Trichinopoly.

A glabrous twining shrub with large subcoriaceous elliptic ovate or lanceolate acute leaves up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad, sometimes slightly cordate at base, the flowers white.

# 13. Vallaris, Burm.

Twining shrubs, rarely trees. Leaves opposite, minutely dotted. Flowers white, in axillary or supra-axillary dichotomous cymes, often reduced to fascicles. Calyx 5-lobed, glandular or not inside; lobes narrow. Corolla salver-shaped or sub-rotate, throat naked; lobes broad, spreading, overlapping to the right. Stamens inserted at the top of the tube of the corolla, exsert; filaments short; anthers connivent in a cone round the stigma and adherent to it, the connective with an often large dorsal gland; cells with rigid basal spurs. Disk annular or cupular, 5-lobed. Ovary of 2 carpels, connate at first, ovules many; style filiform; stigma thick, annular at base, often 2-lobed at tip. Fruit of 2 follicles at first joined, at length separating with the placentas detached. Seeds 2-seriate; rounded below, attenuate above in a beak with a long white coma; testa rugose; albumen scanty; cotyledons thin or thick and fleshy, large; radicle cylindric, superior.

Vallaris solanacea, O. Kze. V. Heynei, Spreng.; F. B. I. iii. 650. V. dichotoma, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 438.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry forests and hedges, also on W. Coast;

sometimes cultivated.

A large twining straggling shrub with pretty large open white flowers and elliptic or lanceolate dotted leaves up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, the follicles 6 in. long, the seeds hollowed on the face. Bark yellowish-grey, wood white. Vern. *Hind.* Ramsar.

### 14. Wrightia, R. Br.

Shrubs or small trees, branches slender. Leaves opposite. Flowers white yellow or red, in terminal or pseudo-axillary cymes. Calyx short, 5-lobed, with glands or scales within. Corolla salver-shaped; tube usually short, cylindric; throat with a corona in 1—2 series of erect, simple lobed or fimbriate scales, distinct or united in a ring; lobes overlapping to the left. Stamens inserted on the mouth of the tube; filaments short, dilated; anthers exsert, sagittate, connivent around and adhering to the stigma, cells spurred at the base. Disk 0. Ovary of 2 free or connate carpels, ovules many; style filiform; stigma ovoid with usually a toothed basal ring. Fruit of 2 connate or distinct follicular mericarps. Seeds linear, attenuate at the apex, the base with a deciduous coma; albumen scanty or 0; cotyledons broad, convolute; radicle short, superior.

 WRIGHTIA TINCTORIA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iii. 653; Wt. Ic. t. 444; Bedd. Fl. t. 241.

All Forest Districts, in deciduous forest, especially in the Deccan, less so in the Circars and W. Gháts, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills.

A small deciduous tree with white flowers and narrow follicles joined at the tips and with the long coma of the seeds at the base (in the somewhat similar *Holarrhena* they have it at the apex). Leaves variable, elliptic ovate or oblong, acuminate or caudate. Bark pale, smooth; wood white, even grained, useful for carving. The leaves give a blue dye. Vern. *Hind*. Dudhi; *Tel*. Tella pala; *Tam*. Nila palai; *Mal*. Aiya pala.

Var. Rothii, Hook. f. W. Rothii, G. Don; Wt. Ic. t. 1319. Branches, inflorescence and leaves beneath puberulous. Deciduous bracts often pink or lilac. Some Godavari specimens have large leaves

tomentose beneath and follicles up to 18 in. long.

Dry forests of Hyderabad and the Ceded Districts, north to the Circars.

2. WRIGHTIA TOMENTOSA, ROEM. & Sch.; F. B. I. iii. 653; Wt. Ic. t. 443. W. Wallichii, A. DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 1296.

All Forest Districts, in deciduous forest, chiefly in the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, less common in the South, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills.

A small deciduous tree with yellowish flowers, the coronal scales orange, connate follicles and ovate or obovate tomentose leaves, the white coma of the seeds at the base. Bark grey, corky; wood white, moderately hard, even-grained, useful for carving. Vern. Hind. Dudhi; Ur. Pal kurwán; Tel. Tella pala; Tam. Pala; Mal. Mailam pala.

### 15. Strophanthus, DC.

Small trees or shrubs, often climbing. Leaves opposite. Flowers usually large, in terminal cymes, bracts, prominent. Calyx 5-lobed, the tube usually glandular within. Corolla funnel-shaped, tube short, widening to a campanulate throat, with 10 free or connate corona scales; lobes overlapping to the right, produced in short or long often twisted tails. Stamens inserted at the top of the tube, included; filaments short; anthers sagittate, their tips filiform, connivent round and adnate to the stigma, the cells spurred at the base. Disk 0. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels, ovules many; style filiform, rugose; stigma columnar or conical, simple or 2-fid at apex. Fruit of 2 oblong or elongate spreading follicular mericarps. Seeds compressed, fusiform, narrowed to a feathery-plumose point, base with a deciduous tuft of hairs; albumen scanty; cotyledons plano-convex.

- 1. STROPHANTHUS WALLICHII, A. DC.; F. B. I. iii. 655. S. dichotomus, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 59, not of DC.
  - N. Circars, in the mountains (teste Roxburgh).
  - A climbing shrub with ash-coloured bark with pink (Roxburgh) flowers and very long filiform anther-tails, the cymes loosely corymbose with many bracts.
- 2. Strophanthus Wightianus, Wall.; F. B. I. iii. 656; Wt. Ic. t. 1301.
  - W. Coast, in Malabar and Travancore.
  - A climbing shrub with warted bark, closely corymbose cymes, anthers with rather short tails and thick woody follicles.

## 16. Beaumontia, Wall.

Large climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers very large, white, in terminal cymes; bracts leafy. Calyx 5-lobed, glandular or not within; lobes foliaceous. Corolla funnel-shaped or campanulate, throat naked; lobes broad, overlapping to the right. Stamens inserted on the corolla-tube, included; filaments long, often spirally twisted; anthers horny, eagittate, conniving round and adhering to the stigma, the cells spurred at the base. Disk deeply 5-lobed. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell; style filiform; stigma oblong-fusiform. Fruit long, thick, woody, at length separating into 2 spreading follicular mericarps. Seeds

compressed, lanceolate or oblong, attenuated at apex and surmounted by a coma; testa rugose; albumen thin; cotyledons thick, foliaceous; radicle short, superior.

BEAUMONTIA JERDONIANA, Wt. Ic. tt. 1314-15; F. B. I. iii. 661.

W. Gháts, Coorg and Wynaad.

A large climbing shrub with woody stem, large white funnel-shaped flowers and cylindric follicles 10 in. long.

B. grandiflora, Wall., a species from the E. Himalaya, is grown sometimes in gardens for its beautiful bell-shaped white flowers.

### 17. Chonemorpha, G. Don.

Stout climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite, large and broad. Flowers large, white, in lax terminal and pseudo-axillary bracteate paniculate cymes. Calyx tubular, with a ring of glands at the base inside; lobes 5. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric, slightly expanded at base and throat; lobes 5, broad, overlapping to the right, sharply twisted to the left. Stamens inserted on the corolla-tube, included; filaments short, broad, villous; anthers sagittate, acuminate, the cells shortly incurvedly spurred below. Disk thick, annular or cupular. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; ovules many; style filiform, cleft below; stigma conoid or subclavate. Fruit of 2 long, straight, woody, parallel, follicular mericarps. Seeds ovoid, produced in a beak, surmounted by a long white silky coma; testa smooth; albumen scanty; cotyledons flat, thick, oblong, radicle short, superior.

Chonemorpha маскорнуца, G. Don; F. B. I. iii. 661; Wt. Ic. t. 432; Bot. Mag. t. 7492.

W. Gháts, at low levels, and W. Coast, in moist forests.

A large climber with milky juice, large nearly orbicular leaves, fulvous tomentose beneath, very large fragrant white flowers, the corolla-lobes often 2 in. long and 1.5 in. broad, and follicles about a foot long.

# 18. Aganosma, G. Don.

Evergreen climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers medium-sized or large, in terminal tomentose cymes; bracts many. Calyx divided nearly to the base in 5 narrow linear-lanceolate lobes, each with 2 small subulate glands at the base. Corolla salver-shaped; tube with lower part very short; upper part long, cylindric, with bearded longitudinal bands behind the anthers; lobes lanceolate linear-oblong or rounded, overlapping to the right. Stamens inserted at the base of the upper part of the corolla-tube, included; anthers sagittate, conniving over and adherent to the stigma, the cells spurred at base. Disk cupular, 5-lobed. Ovary of 2 distinct, usually hirsute, carpels; ovules many; style straight; stigma columnar. Fruit of 2 short or long, terete or curved, follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate or oblong, flattened, glabrous, with a white silky coma at tip; albumen scanty; cotyledons oblong; radicle short, superior.

Cymes laxly corymbose; calyx-lobes linear-lanceolate, about ·7 in. long, conspicuous; corolla rather large, lobes broadly falcate, ·4 in, long, ·25 in. broad; leaves ovate

AGANOSMA DICHOTOMA, K. Schum. A. caryophyllata, G. Don; F. B. I. iii. 662. A. Blumei, Wt. Ic. t. 1305, not of A. DC.

N. Circars, E. Deccan and Carnatic from Ganjam to the Rumpa Hills, Kondapalli in Kistna and the Nellore Veligondas.

A large climber with white corolla and red calyx lobes and leaves up to 4 in. long, tomentose at first, afterwards glabrescent.

2. Aganosma cymosa, G. Don; F. B. I. iii. 663. A. elegans, G. Don; Wt. Ic. t. 1304. A. Doniana, Wt. Ic. t. 1306. Echites cymosa, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 395. Toxocarpus eriocarpus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 15?

Deccan, Carnatic and W. Gháts, in forest Districts, up to 5.000 fr.

A large rambling climber with pale yellow flowers variable in size, and leaves also variable, up to 5 in. long but usually less.

#### 19. Anodendron, A. DC.

Glabrous climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite with distant nerves. Flowers small, in axillary or axillary and terminal spreading paniculate cymes; bracts small. Calyx small, 5-lobed, usually without glands. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric, little dilated opposite the stamens, the mouth contracted; lobes 5, overlapping to the right, twisted to the left. Stamens included, below the middle of the corolla-tube; anthers sagittate, connivent round and adherent to the stigma; cells shortly spurred at base. Disk cup-shaped. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels, sunk in the disk and dorsally adnate to it; ovules many; style short; stigma thick, conical. Fruit of 2 diverging, hard, acuminate, follicular mericarps. Seeds ovoid or oblong, compressed, beaked, tipped with a long silky coma; albumen scanty; cotyledons oblong, flat, leafy; radicle cylindric, superior.

Anodendron paniculatum, A. DC.; F. B. I. iii. 668; Wt. Ic. t. 1309, fruit and seeds only. Echites paniculata, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 396.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Barber); Deccan, in Mysore; W. Gháts from S. Canara and Coorg to Travancore, in the low country in dry open forests.

A very large climber with large panicles of small yellow flowers, elliptic or oblong abruptly acuminate leaves with 12—15 pairs of regular prominent main nerves, and follicles 6 in. long, the seeds long-beaked. Vern. *Mar.* Lamtani.

## 20. Ichnocarpus, R. Br.

Climbing shrubs with slender branches. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in lax terminal and axillary paniculate cymes. Calyx 5-lobed, glandular of not within. Corolla salver-shaped, the throat contracted

or villous, lobes overlapping to the right, the upper half deflexed in bud. Stamens inserted at or below the middle of the tube; filaments very short; anthers sagittate, conniving over and adhering to the stigma; cells spurred at the base. Disk free, with 5 erect disk glands. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; ovules many; style short, the top obconic; stigma columnar. Fruit of 2 slender, spreading or divaricate, follicular mericarps. Seeds narrowed at the tip, crowned with a deciduous silky coma; albumen scanty; cotyledons long, flat; radicle short, superior.

ICHNOCARPUS FRUTESCENS, R. Br.; F. B. I. iii. 669; Wt. Ic. t. 420.

All Districts in the plains and lower hills, in forests, hedgerows

and open places, common.

A much-branched, extensively climbing, rusty-villous shrub with elliptic or lanceolate leaves up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, greenish-white flowers and slender follicles.

Allamanda cathartica, Linn., is a handsome climbing shrub from S. America, with large yellow flowers and whorled leaves, frequently grown in gardens in the plains, and sometimes, as along backwaters in Travancore, found run wild.

Thevetia neriifolia, Juss., is another S. American plant, an erect bush or small tree with large yellow flowers, linear alternate leaves and a rounded somewhat angular apple-like fruit, very common in gardens and occasionally found run wild near towns and villages.

Plumeria acutifolia, Poiret, is the Pagoda tree, probably also from tropical America, a common and conspicuous garden plant with thick fleshy branchlets and green oblong leaves, the flowers white with a pale yellow centre, very fragrant and used for garlands for the temples. P. alba, Linn., is also found in similar places in cultivation. It has large white flowers and thick reticulate leaves.

Kopsia fruticosa, A. DC., is a large evergreen shrub, native of Burma, common in gardens. It has pretty pink flowers and rather thin

elliptic-lanceolate leaves.

Nerium odorum, Soland, the Indian Oleander, is a large shrub, common in rocky river beds in N. India, but not found wild, except perhaps as an escape, in Madras. It is often cultivated in gardens and has pink flowers, narrow linear coriaceous leaves and long follicles with brown coma to the seeds.

## Family C. ASCLEPIADACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, usually twining, the stems usually woody, sometimes succulent. Leaves opposite or whorled, rarely alternate, sometimes wanting; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, regular, solitary or few or many together, usually in axillary, sometimes terminal, umbelliform cymes; bracts usually small or wanting. Calyx inferior, usually deeply 5-lobed, the lobes imbricate, usually with glandular scales at the base within. Corolla various, gamopetalous, 5-lobed; tube usually short (long in Ceropegia), often furnished within with processes forming a corolline corona; lobes imbricate, contorted or valvate, often recurved, sometimes erect and connate at their tips. Stamens 5, inserted at or

near the base of the corolla and alternating with its lobes; filaments free or more usually connate in a staminal-column with its apex united to the dilated part of the style; usually with more or less fleshy processes on the back forming a staminal corona; anthers 2-celled, the cell dehiscing by longitudinal or transverse slits, the tips often produced into inflexed membranes; pollen contents of each anther-cell granular or united into one or two pollen-masses; when granular each granule formed of about 4 grains loosely united and contained in a spoon- or trowel-like appendicle, attached by a caudicle to the pollen-carrier on the style-apex; when united, the pollen-masses of two adjacent but different anther cells either sessile on or connected by arm-like caudicles to one of the 5 usually horny pollen-carriers which rest on the angles of the style-apex. Ovary of 2 1-celled many-ovuled carpels, the styles united above and dilated in the style-apex bearing the pollen-carriers on its angles and beneath them the 5 stigmatic cavities. Fruit of 2 (or 1 by suppression) follicular mericarps, dehiscing by the ventral suture and usually liberating the placenta. Seeds usually flat, sometimes ovoid or cylindric, often marginal, crowned with a coma of long silky hairs; testa thin or thick, albumen usually thin; embryo large; cotyledons flat; radicle superior, usually cylindric.

Pollen-masses granular, loosely contained in the more or less spathulate appendicles, which are attached by a long or short caudicle to a gland which itself is attached to the angles of the style-apex (Tribe I. Periploceae):—

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Climbers with opposite elliptic leaves; filaments very short, broad
Glands present between the stamens:  4. Brachylepi
Glands present between the stamens:—  Corolla-lobes valvate in bud
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Pollen-masses 4 cm 2 minricate in bud
Pollen-masses 4 or 2, minute, waxy, sessile on a minute, soft pollen-carrier (Trib. Secamoneae):—
Corolla-lobes imbricate in bud:—
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Corolla-lobes small, overlapping to right or left; style-apex short, rounded obtuse; leaves small, narrow, linear
Corolla-lobes elongate overlapping
obtuse; leaves small, narrow, linear
Corolla-lones valvate in had -:!!
top, produced above it; leaves broad
rollen-masses waxy, onague without pollucid
cles to the dark-coloured horny pollen coming margin, attached in pairs by caudi
Pollen-masses pendulous (Tribe III Communication)
Stem erect; corolla valvate in bud:—
Corona processes laterally companyed
Corona-processes hooded, with a protruding horn. 10. Calotropis.  Stem twining; corolla-lobes more or less overlands. 11. Asclepias.
Stem twining; corolla-lohes more or loss
Corona single:— More of less overlapping in bud:—
Flowers large:—
Corolla thin, with a pubescent ring at its base, corons
Corolla thin, with a pubescent ring at its base; corona-processes dilated at base, acuminate at tip; follicles slender
Corolla thick, glabrous; corona annular, fleshy

Corolla thick, glabrous; corona annular, fleshy..........13. Holostemma.

22. Cosmostigma.

Flowers small; corolla rotate or campanulate:-

Corona-processes adnate to the staminal column:-

Corolla-tubes overlapping:-

Corona of 5 distinct processes:-

Corona-lobes tubercle-like, radiating from the base of the staminal column and quite adnate to it; pollen-masses usually horizontal...19. Tylophora. Corona-lobes with the base adnate to the staminal column, free above; pollen-masses erect:—

Corona-lobes with a subulate process on the inner face...20. Telosma. Corona-lobes without a process on the inner face......21. Marsdenia. Corona-lobes scale-like, bifid at apex; style-apex with a rim

Corolla-tubes valvate:-

Leaves thin; corona spreading, usually with an inner process

Pollen masses waxy, pellucid on one margin or at apex, attached in pairs by caudicles to the usually dark-coloured pollen-carriers; corolla-lobes valvate (Tribe V. Ceropegieae):—

Corona double; corolline of processes in the sinuses of the lobes, staminal annular

26. Leptadenia.

Corona staminal, annular, single or double, usually with 5 processes which

overlap the anthers:-

#### 1. Hemidesmus, R. Br.

Twining undershrub. Leaves opposite or in whorls of 4. Flowers small, greenish-purple, in axillary opposite crowded subsessile cymes. Calyx 5-partite; lobes acuminate, with 5 minute scales at their bases within. Corolla rotate, deeply 5-fid, with valvate fleshy lobes; coronascales 5, thick, on the corolla-lobes and alternate with them. Stamens inserted at the base of the corolla-tube; filaments distinct or subconnate at the base; anthers small, cohering at the apex, ending in inflexed appendages; pollen-masses cohering in pairs in each cell, granular, the caudicles of the pollen-carriers bearing cucullate or spreading appendicles. Ovary of 2 many-ovuled carpels; styles distinct, style apex 5-lobed, flat on top. Fruit of 2 slender divaricate terete follicular mericarps. Seeds oblong, flattened, ridged ventrally, ending in a long white silky coma; cotyledons oblong; radicle cylindric.

HEMIDESMUS INDICUS, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 4; W. & A. Contrib. 63; Wt. Ic. t. 594.

All plains Districts, in open forests, waste places and hedges, common.

A much-twining wiry shrub with polymorphous leaves varying from elliptic or almost orbicular and obtuse to long linear and narrow. The follicles are long and slender often up to 8 in. in length. Vern. Tam. Nannari; Tel. Sugandapala.

Var. pubescens, Hook. f. H. pubescens, W. & A. Contrib. 63; Wt. Ic. t. 1320.

Branchlets, leaves beneath and inflorescence pubescent, the leaves variable as in the species.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic from Vizagapatam to Madras.

### 2. Cryptolepis, R. Br.

Twining glabrous shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers in lax, slender, dichotomous, few-flowered, peduncled, terminal or axillary cymes; bracts and bracteoles small. Calyx deeply 5-fid with 5-scales within near the base. Corolla-tube short, cylindric or campanulate; lobes 5, linear, overlapping and twisted to the right in bud; corona-scales 5, linear or clavate, inserted near or above the middle of the tube. Stamens 5, attached near the base of the corolla-tube; filaments subconnate by broad bases; anthers short, adhering to the style-apex by their bases, the tips acuminate, connivent; pollen-masses cohering in pairs in each cell, granular, appendicles of pollen-carriers oblong. Ovary of 2 many-ovuled carpels; styles distinct, style-apex shortly conical. Fruit of 2 divaricate, smooth, follicular mericarps. Seeds oblong, flattened, ending in a long white silky coma; cotyledons elliptic; radicle long.

1. CRYPTOLEPIS BUCHANANI, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 5; Wt. Ic. t. 494. N. Circars, Deccan, Carnatic and W. Coast, in deciduous forests and in hedges.

A large much-branched climber with white flowers and leaves nearly white beneath. Bark purplish-red, peeling off in papery flakes; wood white. Vern. *Hind*. Karanta; *Tel*. Adivi pala tiga.

2. CRYPTOLEPIS GRANDIFLORA, Wt. Ic. t. 831; F. B. I. iv. 5.

Deccan, forests of the Ceded Districts; hills of the Carnatic, south to Tinnevelly.

A slender climber with rather large flowers, narrow divaricate follicles and rather thick leaves, the reticulation impressed above.

3. CRYPTOLEPIS ELEGANS, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 6. C. pauciflora, Wt. Ic. t. 493.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam to Godavari (A. W. Lushington, Barber, etc.).

A slender wiry climber with thin leaves, yellow flowers and very narrow follicles often divaricate to lie in one straight line.

### 3. Utleria, Bedd.

A glabrous shrub. Leaves opposite, whorled or scattered, linear-lanceolate, subcrenulate, clustered at the ends of the thick branchlets. Flowers small, in terminal or axillary, long-peduncled, glabrous, dichotomous cymes, among the leaves at the ends of the branchlets. Calyx very small; lobes 5, ovate, each with 2 minute glands. Corolla rotate; lobes 5, slightly overlapping and twisted to the right; corona-scales 5, small, rounded. Stamens inserted on the base of the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers ovate, tip pointed, connivent over and adherent to the style-apex; pollen-masses in pairs in each cell, granular, the appendicles of the pollen-carriers short, rounded. Ovary of 2 many-ovuled carpels; style-apex convex on the top. Fruit of 2 smooth lanceolate divaricate follicular mericarps. Seeds broadly ovate, thin, tipped with a white coma.

Utleria salicifolia, Bedd.; F. B. I. iv. 7; Hook. Ic. t. 1432.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 3,000—5,000 ft. (Beddome, Fischer). A shrub, up to 4.5 ft. high, growing among or in fissures of the rocks (Fischer), on open rocky ground, a small tree (Bedd.). Bark thick, grey, papery; wood white. The leaves are narrowly lanceolate, usually 3—4 in., sometimes up to 9 in. long, the mericarps 2 in. long, glabrous. Vern. Kader Utleer (Bedd.).

### 4. Brachylepis, W. & A.

A climbing shrub with pubescent branches and villous inflorescence. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in terminal or axillary dichotomous bracteate cymes. Calyx deeply 5-fid, with 5 small glands between the ovate lobes within. Corolla rotate, 5-lobed, the lobes slightly overlapping to the right; corona of five broad membranous scales. Stamens inserted on the throat of the corolla, with very short broad filaments; anthers attached to the style-apex and inflexed to enclose it; pollenmasses in pairs in each cell, granular, the appendicles of the pollencarriers minute, funnel-shaped. Ovary of 2 many-ovuled carpels; style-apex flat on the top. Fruit of 2 divaricate, acuminate, thick, smooth, follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate oblong, ridged ventrally, tipped with a long white coma, cotyledons elliptic, flat, radicle cylindric.

Brachylepis nervosa, W. & A. Contrib. 64; F. B. I. iv. 7; Wt. Ic. t. 1284, Spic. Neilgh. t. 156.

W. Ghats, Nilgiri Hills at 5,000-7,500 ft.

A wiry climber, the corolla green without purple within, the leaves thick, elliptic, acute or acuminate, with 8—10 pairs of strong main nerves, the follicles narrow-lanceolate about 3 in. long, divaricate in a nearly straight line.

### 5. Decalepis, W. & A.

A glabrous twining shrub, the branches jointed. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in axillary peduncled cymes. Calyx deeply 5-fid, eglandular. Corolla rotate; lobes 5, valvate, white-villous within; corona of 10 scales, alternately long and hooded and short triangular flat. Stamens at the base of the corolla, alternating with triangular glands: filaments distinct but cohering at the base with the glands between; anthers ovate, conniving over and adnate to the style-apex, the tips acute, inflexed; pollen-masses granular, in pairs, appendicles of pollencarriers shovel-shaped. Ovary of 2 many-ovuled carpels; styles distinct; style-apex convex, 5-grooved. Fruit of 2 thick lanceolate short follicular mericarps. Seeds shortly ovate, ridged, tipped with a white coma.

DECALEPIS HAMILTONII, W. & A. Contrib. 64; F. B. I. iv. 11; Wt.

Ic. t. 1285.

Deccan, Horsleykonda, at 4,500 ft. (Gamble), Madanapalle in Chittoor at 3,000 ft., hills of N. Coimbatore (Fischer); Carnatic, Veligonda Hills of Nellore (Ramaswami), Kambakam Hills of Chingleput; W. Gháts, Anamalais (Wight, Barber).

A climber with orbicular or elliptic-obovate leaves, about 2 in. long, the main nerves about 6 pairs, arched; the follicles 2.5 in.

long. '75 in. in diam.

#### 6. Streptocaulon, W. & A.

Twining herbs or shrubs, usually tomentose. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in lax sessile or peduncled trichotomous cymes in one axil of a pair of leaves. Calyx minute, 5-lobed, glandular within. Corolla rotate; lobes ovate, slightly overlapping to the right; corona-scales 5. filiform, adnate to the backs of the filaments. Stamens inserted at the base of the corolla; filaments very short alternating with minute glands; anthers conniving over and adherent to the style apex; pollen-masses in pairs in each cell, granular; appendicles of pollen-carriers spathulate. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; style-apex 5-angled, convex at top. Fruit of 2 divaricate follicular mericarps. Seeds flattened, keeled ventrally, tips with a long white silky coma; cotyledons oblong, flat; radicle long.

STREPTOCAULON KLEINII, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 65; F. B. I. iv. 9.

S. India, locality not known (Wight).

A climber with panduriform leaves rugose above and densely white tomentose beneath, the cymes with peduncles about 1 in. long, few-flowered.

# 7. Secamone, R. Br.

Climbing or straggling shrubs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small or minute, in lax axillary, sessile or shortly peduncled, 2-3-chotomous cymes. Calyx 5-lobed, eglandular. Corolla small, rotate, 5-lobed, the lobes overlapping to right or left; corona-scales 5, adnate to the staminal column, compressed. Stamens inserted at the base of the corolla; filaments short, free or connate at base; anther-tips inflexed and connivent round the style-apex; pollen-masses small, in pairs in each cell, attached in fours to a minute pollen-carrier

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without caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels, many-ovuled; style columnar, dilated, ending in a flattened ring and produced above it. Fruit of 2 divaricate follicular mericarps, smooth. Seeds oblong, flattened but ridged, ending in a long white silky coma; cotyledons linear-oblong; radicle nearly as long, cylindric.

SECAMONE EMETICA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 13; Wt. Contrib. 60; Wt. Ic. t. 1283.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly regions from Nellore to Coimbatore, south to Tinnevelly, up to 4,500 ft. on Horsleykonda.

A wiry much-branched climbing shrub with minute flowers, narrow linear leaves, and slender follicles about 2—2.5 in. long. Bark brown, thick, corky and deeply cleft; wood white.

# 8. Toxocarpus, W. & A. in part.

Twining shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small or moderate-sized, in axillary dichotomous paniculate or racemose cymes. Calyx very small, 5-lobed, with or without minute scales at the base within. Corolla-tube short, usually campanulate, 5-lobed, the lobes linear-oblong, overlapping to the left; corona-scales attached to the staminal tube, flattened, sometimes with an inner flap. Stamens inserted at the base of the corolla; filaments connate; anthers small, minutely fimbriate at tip; pollen-masses very minute, pendulous, apparently in pairs attached to minute soft pollen-carriers, without caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels; style slender, style-apex long and slender or clavate. Fruit of 2 divaricate follicular mericarps. Seeds oblong, flattened, tipped with a silky coma; cotyledons oblong; radicle cylindric.

TOXOCARPUS ROXBURGHII, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 61; F. B. I. iv. 14; Wt. Ic. t. 475.
 N. Circars? (Heyne).

A slender climber with pale yellow fragrant flowers (Roxb.).

W. Gháts, Palghat Hills of Malabar at 3,500 ft. (Beddome).
A slender climber with smooth leaves and much nearly black furfuraceous tomentum on the younger parts.

3. Toxocarpus Beddomei, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1922, 119. 
W. Gháts, Atraimalai Hills of Tinnevelly (Beddome).

A slender climber, the leaves smooth and pale when dry.

4. Toxocarpus Kleinii, W. & A. Contrib. 61; F. B. I. iv. 14; Wt. Ic. t. 886.

N. Circars, on the Godavari (Barber); Carnatic, hills of Trichi-

nopoly; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, hills of Cochin.

A slender climbing shrub, the stem, inflorescence and undersurface of leaves rufous-villous, the follicles curved and long-beaked.

#### 9. Genianthus, Hook. f.

Twining shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in axillary usually di- or tri-chotomous cymes. Calyx very small, 5-lobed, with minute scales at the base within. Corolla rotate; tube short; lobes spreading or recurved, villous within, valvate in bud; corona-scales 5, flattened, attached to the staminal tube. Stamens in a column, the anthers erect, appendages short; pollen-masses 2 in each cell, granular, on a small pollen-carrier, without caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels; style with a broad apex, usually produced above it. Fruit of 2 follicular mericarps, slender and usually curved. Seeds flattened, with a long silky coma.

Genianthus laurifolius, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 16. Toxocarpus laurifolius, Wt.; W. & A. Contrib. 61; Wt. Ic. t. 598.

S. Canara, at Jahlsur (Barber).

A slender climbing shrub with broadly elliptic, shortly acuminate leaves with 6—7 pairs of curved main nerves, flowers of 2 forms, one with short recurved densely bearded corolla-lobes, the others with broader erect pubescent ones, the latter apparently the fertile ones, and terete slender follicles 3—5 in long.

## 10. Calotropis, R. Br.

Large erect shrubs or small trees. Leaves opposite, broad. Flowers medium-sized, in umbellate or racemose lateral pedunculate cymes. Calyx-5-lobed; lobes broadly ovate, glandular within. Corolla broadly campanulate or subrotate, divided more than halfway down in 5 valvate lobes; corona scales 5, fleshy, adnate to and radiating from the large staminal column, with an upcurved involute spur or two obtuse auricles. Stamens inserted at the base of the corolla; anthers short, broad, somewhat horny at the angled wings; appendages short, broad, inflexed over the style-apex; anther-cells a shallow pouch; pollenmasses solitary, flattened, pendulous, attached by slender caudicles to the oblong pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; style slender with a depressed pentagonal style-apex. Fruit of 2 large, inflated, fleshy, thick follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate, plano-convex, the broad apex surmounted by a coma of long slender silky hairs.

CALOTROPIS GIGANTEA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 17; W. & A. Contrib. 53.
 All plains Districts in waste places and on roadsides, often on black cotton soil.

A large milky shrub, very pale in colour, the branches and leaves and inflorescence covered with loose soft white wool, the large sessile leaves ovate or obovate, cordate at base, the flowers large and pale, the large fleshy follicles green and ventricose, the seeds with an abundant white milky coma. Bark yellowish-white; wood white and soft. The bark gives a strong fibre and the silky coma is used to stuff pillows. Vern. Hind. Mudár, Ak.; Ur. Uruk; Tel. Jilledu; Tam. Erukku, Yerikan; Mal. Yerikku.

2. CALOTROPIS PROCERA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 18; Wt. Ic. t. 1278.

Most plains Districts, as the preceding, usually in drier localities.

A milky shrub, smaller in size than the preceding and like it except as regards the flowers. The uses are the same. Vern. Hind. Mudár, Ak.; Tel. Jelledu.

### 11. Asclepias, Linn.

Perennial herbs or shrubs, often with tuberous roots. Leaves opposite or whorled. Flowers moderate-sized, in umbellate cymes. Calyx deeply 5-partite, 5—10-glandular within at the base. Corolla rotate, deeply 5-lobed; lobes valvate or slightly overlapping, often reflexed; corona-scales 5, arising from the staminal column and adnate to it above, concave-cucullate with sometimes a horn protruding from within. Stamens adnate near the base of the corolla, the filaments connate in a tube; anthers with a membranous tip over the style-apex; pollenmasses pendulous, flattened, solitary, attached by often curved caudicles to the hard pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; styles free below, connected above; style-apex columnar, truncate or depressed at tip. Fruit of 2 smooth usually beaked and inflated follicular mericarps, often more or less covered with subulate hairs. Seeds flattened, winged, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons elliptic, radicle as long.

ASCLEPIAS CURASSAVICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 18.

Most plains Districts, in waste places and on roadsides; a tropical American plant, run wild and now common; often planted in gardens.

An erect herb with narrowly lanceolate leaves, bright orangered flowers and beaked and stalked follicles about 3 in. long.

A. physocarpa, Schlect., is a shrubby plant found in gardens and sometimes run wild in the Nilgiri Hills. The large, usually obtuse, inflated follicles have sparse long setae on their sides.

## 12. Oxystelma, R. Br.

Glabrous twining herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, narrow. Flowers large, in lax racemose or subumbellate cymes or solitary; pedicels filiform. Calyx small, 5-partite, with a row of glands at the base within. Corolla broadly rotate, lobed half-way down and with a densely pubescent ring (corolline corona of some authors) at its base; lobes triangular, ciliate, valvate at base, shortly overlapping to the right

in bud; corona-processes adnate to the staminal tube, the bases dilated, the tips acuminate. Stamens with the filaments connate in a tube; anthers erect, with a short membranous inflexed appendage; pollen-masses waxy, pendulous, elongate-clavate, attached in pairs by slender caudicles to the hard brown shortly oblong pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 many-ovuled carpels; style short, the apex truncate or convex. Fruit of 2 (1 usually absent) rather short, smooth or winged follicular mericarps. Seeds small, ovoid, winged on the margins, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons suborbicular; radicle short.

Oxystelma esculentum, R. Br.; W. & A. Contrib. 54; F. B. I. iv.

17. Periploca esculenta, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 11.

N. Circars and Carnatic, in hedges and among bushes, usually near water; less common in the Deccan, common in S. Travan-

core along water-courses.

A very pretty graceful twining herb with narrow linear-lanceolate leaves, widely open flowers with a white or rose corolla marked with purple veins, and lanceolate acuminate follicles rounded at base and winged. Vern. *Hind*. Kirni, Dudhi; *Tel*. Dudhi pala.

## 13. Holostemma, R. Br.

Glabrous twining shrubs. Leaves opposite, cordate. Flowers large, purple, in few-flowered axillary cymes. Calyx 5-partite, eglandular. Corolla thick, subrotate, deeply 5-lobed, the lobes overlapping to the right; corona affixed to the base of the staminal column, annular, fleshy, truncate. Stamens adnate to the base of the corolla-tube, the filaments connate in a 10-winged column; anthers large, horny, shining, with membranous inflexed tips; pollen-masses pendulous, clavate, elongate, compressed, attached by long caudicles to the hard brown linear pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; style slender, styleapex oblong, 5-winged. Fruit of 1—2 thick lanceolate broad follicles. Seeds ovoid, flattened, winged, ending in a white silky coma.

HOLOSTEMMA ANNULARE, K. Schum.; H. Rheedii, Wall.; F. B. I. iv.

21; Wt. Contrib. 55, Ic. t. 597.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in hedges and in open forests, especially in the hills, westwards to the lower slopes of the Gháts; coast of S. Travancore.

A large climber with large conspicuous flowers, the corolla purple within, pink or white without, ovate deeply cordate acuminate leaves and a thick follicle 3.5 in. long, the second one often suppressed.

# 14. Pentatropis, R. Br.

Slender twining herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, small. Flowers small, purplish, in lateral or axillary umbellate cymes; pedicels filiform. Calyx 5-partite, usually glandular within; lobes acute. Corolla rotate, divided nearly to the base; lobes elongate, overlapping to the right, twisted to the left; corona of 5 laterally compressed scales adnate to the backs of the anthers and with an upcurved spur at the base.

Stamens 5, in a short column from the base of the corolla; anthers with membranous tips; pollen-masses pendulous, not compressed, waxy, attached by short caudicles to the oblong pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels, many-ovuled; style slender, style-apex 5-angled, shortly cylindric, tip flat. Fruit of 2 lanceolate, beaked, follicular mericarps. Seeds ovoid, flattened, margined, ending in a white silky coma.

Pentatropis microphylla, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 52; F. B. I. iv. 19; Wt. Ic. t. 352.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hedges and open forest land.

A very slender climber with small purplish corollas pubescent within, small ovate obtuse mucronate leaves and beaked follicles about 2.5 in. long.

## 15. Cynanchum, Linn.

Erect or twining herbs or shrubs. Leaves opposite, often with a second pair, stipule-like and smaller, alternating from the same node. Flowers small, greenish or purplish, in axillary, umbellate or corymbose, sessile or peduncled cymes. Calyx 5-partite, usually with glands at the base within. Corolla rotate or campanulate, 5-partite, the lobes slightly overlapping to the right in bud; corona membranous, adnate to the base of the staminal column, annular cupular or tubular, toothed or lobed at the top. Stamens 5, adnate to the base of the corolla-tube; filaments connate in a short column, anthers hardened, the appendages membranous, erect or inflexed; pollen-masses oblong, pendulous, attached by short caudicles to the horny pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; styles free below; style-apex 5-angled, truncate rounded or conical. Fruit of 2 smooth follicular mericarps, often winged. Seeds plano-convex, margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons ovate; radicle nearly as long.

Follicles winged, acute or acuminate:—
Leaves very shortly cordate at base with small rounded, sometimes overlapping lobes and small sinus, otherwise linear or elliptic- or ovate-oblong, apiculate, glaucous beneath, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 or even 2 in. broad; stipular leaves small, often wanting; corolla-lobes erect or spreading, oblong, 15 in. long; corona tubular, plicate, with 5 entire or toothed lobes with teeth between them.

1. CYNANCHUM PAUCIFLORUM, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 23; Wt. Contrib. 56, Ic, t. 354.

Carnatic and the Eastern slopes of the W. Gháts frem the Pulneys southwards.

A herbaceous climber, glabrous, the flowers greenish tinged with pink.

2. CYNANCHUM CALLIALATA, Ham. in Wt. Contrib. 56; F. B. I. iv. 24; Wt. Ic. t. 1279.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam; W. Gháts, in all Districts on W. side, up to 3,000 ft.; Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Bourne).

A herbaceous twining shrub, glabrous. The Circar specimens have mostly narrow leaves, and agree with *C. angustifolium*, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 57, which is hardly even a variety.

3. Cynanchum alatum, W. & A.; Wt. Contrib., 57, Ic. t. 1250 (but not so hairy); F. B. I. iv. 23.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly

and Travancore up to 6,000 ft.

A slender twiner, branchlets and young leaves slightly pubescent.

## 16. Pergularia, Linn (not of other authors).

Twining pubescent or tomentose undershrubs. Leaves opposite, cordate. Flowers medium-sized, greenish-white, in axillary racemose or corymbose, pedunculate cymes; pedicels slender. Calyx 5-partite, 5-glandular, lobes acute. Corolla-tube short, campanulate or funnel-shaped; lobes 5, ovate, spreading, overlapping to the right in bud; corona double. the outer membranous, annular, 5-lobed, the lobes truncate or dentate, the inner of 5 erect, laterally compressed, lobes spurred at the base and produced above in long free often fimbriate tips curved over the styleapex. Stamens 5, adnate to the corolla-tube; filaments connate in a column; anther-appendages membranous, inflexed; pollen-masses waxy, pendulous, attached in pairs to the shining horny pollen-carriers without caudicles. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; styles slender; style-apex slightly convex at top. Fruit of 2 lanceolate, acuminate, smooth or softly echinate, often recurved follicles. Seeds ovate, minutely pubescent, margined, ending in a silky white coma; cotyledons suborbicular, radicle pointed.

Pergularia extensa, N. E. Br. in Fl. Cap. iv. i. 758. Daemia extensa, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 20; Wt. Contrib. 59, Ic. t. 596.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, westwards to the E. slopes of

the W. Gháts up to 3,000 ft., common.

A slender bad-smelling milky climber with hispid stems, greenish flowers, suborbicular cordate leaves and reflexed lanceolate follicles covered with soft spines. Vern. *Tam.* Belaparti.

# 17. Sarcostemma, R. Br.

Shrubs, with trailing leafless jointed stems and pendulous branches. Flowers small, in sessile terminal or lateral umbels. Calyx small, 5-partite, glandular or not within. Corolla rotate, deeply lobed; lobes 5, overlapping to the right in bud; corona double, the outer cupular, membranous, 5—10-lobed or -crenate, attached to the base of the staminal column, the inner of 5 erect fleshy compressed or rounded processes adnate to the stamens above and more or less to the outer corona below, rarely absent. Stamens adnate to the base of the corollatube; filaments forming a column; anthers with membranous inflexed

appendages; pollen-masses slender, curved, pendulous, attached by usually short caudicles to the hard pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; styles slender; style-apex 5-angled, rounded or conical or fusiform at top. Fruit of 2 straight smooth follicular mericarps. Seeds flat, usually margined, the margins sometimes toothed at base; cotyledons fleshy, elliptic or oblong; radicle short or long.

Umbels always terminal, pedicels glabrous or slightly pubescent; inner corona longer than the anthers; follicles 5 in. long or less, slightly divaricate; seeds small, 25 in. long or less, the wings usually toothed below, radicle as long as the cotyledons:—

Style-apex rounded at top; follicles lanceolate, 4-5 in. long; seeds glabrous.

Style-apex acuminate at top; follicles linear, 2.5—4 in. long; seeds pubescent 2. intermedium.

Umbels usually lateral, pedicels crispate villous; inner corona shorter than the anthers; follicles up to 9 in. long, recurved; seeds large, 3—4 in. long, glabrous, broadly margined and not toothed, radicle very short, the cotyledons long

- 1. Sarcostemma Brevistigma, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 59; F. B. I. iv. 26; Wt. Ic. t. 595.
  - N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in stony places chiefly, up to 4,500 ft. on Horsleykonda.
  - A jointed shrub trailing over bushes and rocks, the succulent stems up to 25 in. in diam. Vern. Hind. Soma.
- 2. Sarcostemma intermedium, Done; F. B. I. iv. 27. S. viminale, Wt. Contrib. 59, Ic. t. 1281, not of R. Br.
  - W. Deccan and Carnatic, Coimbatore to Tinnevelly, in dry places.
- A jointed shrub, similar to the last but rarer.

  3. SARCOSTEMMA BRUNONIANUM, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 59; F. B. I.
  - iv. 27; Wt. Ic. t. 1282; Bot. Mag. t. 6002. W. Deccan, Coimbatore to the lower slopes of the Nilgiris and
    - Pulneys, in dry forest lands. A slender trailing plant with large follicles and seeds, the flowers white or yellow (Bot. Mag.)

### 18. Gymnema, R. Br.

Twining shrubs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in crowded axillary or lateral umbellate cymes. Calyx 5-partite, with or without glands within at the base. Corolla subrotate campanulate or urceolate; lobes subvalvate or narrowly overlapping to the right; corona 0 or of fleshy processes adnate to the tube and sometimes produced beyond it between the lobes. Staminal-column arising from the base of the corolla; anthers erect with short membranous appendages; pollen-masses erect, attached to the horny pollen-carriers by very short caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels; styles free to near the top; style-apex large, conical clavate or capitate, exserted beyond the anthers. Fruit of 2 (or 1) smooth follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate, margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons elliptic; radicle cylindric.

Flowers very small; calyx-lobes short, ovate; corona of 5 fleshy processes exserted in the sinuses of the lobes and decurrent in villous ridges on the tube:—

Corolla 1 in. long; corona ridges long, the apical processes small; leaves thin, ovate elliptic or almost lanceolate, acute or shortly acuminate at apex, cuneate

rounded or sometimes cordate at base, pubescent or subglabrous, up to 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; follicles slender, up to 3 in. long; seeds .4 in. long, broadly 

Corolla ·15 in. long; corona ridges short, the apical processes large and thick; leaves thick, ovate, often broadly, acute at apex, rounded or cordate at base, Flowers larger; calyx-lobes linear-oblong; corona of villous ridges on the tube,

but without fleshy processes in the sinuses of the lobes:-

Leaves membranous when dry, nearly glabrous, more or less ovate, acuminate at apex and cordate at base:-

Leaves broadly ovate or elliptic-ovate, abruptly acuminate, the base rounded Leaves ovate, gradually acuminate, the base shallowly cordate, up to 4 in. long, 2-2.5 in. broad, the lowest two pairs of nerves from the base; umbels few-flowered, pedicels slender, 2 in. long; corolla 2 in. long......4. elegans. Leaves subcoriaceous, oblong or ovate-oblong or oblong-lanceolate, obtusely acuminate, rounded at base, 3—4 in. long, about 1 in. broad; umbels many-flowered, the rather stout pedicels ·3 in. long; corolla ·2—3 in. long 5. montanum.

1. Gymnema sylvestre, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 29; Wt. Contrib. 44, Ic. t. 349.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry forests, up to about 2,000 ft. in the hills.

A large climber with small yellowish flowers. The leaves of this and the next species have the curious property of neutralising the taste of sugar. Vern. Mar. Kavali.

2. GYMNEMA HIRSUTUM, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 44; F. B. I. iv. 29; Wt. Ic. t. 1272. G. Decaisneanum, Wt. Ic. t. 1271.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris at 5,000-7,000 ft., common, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly at rather lower levels; hills of N. Coim-

A large climber with spirally twisted stems and yellow flowers. Bark rough, brown; wood white, of irregular structure.

3. Gymnema tingens, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 45; F. B. I. iv. 31. G. tingens var. cordifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 593. Asclepias tingens, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 239.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills at 4,000 ft. (Beddome).

A gigantic climber (Beddome), with pale yellow flowers, the follicles (in N. India) up to 7 in. long and nearly 1 in. broad.

4. GYMNEMA ELEGANS, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 46; F. B. I. iv. 32; Wt. Ic. t. 830.

Hills of S. Carnatic, from Salem to Tinnevelly (fide Wight). A rather slender climber with white flowers and lanceolate follicles 3 in. long, 5 in. broad.

5. GYMNEMA MONTANUM, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 31. G. tingens var. ovalifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 592 (not good).

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Anamalai Hills, at 4,000-7,000 ft. A lovely creeper (Beddome) with pale yellow flowers and follicles 3 in. long and about '25-35 in. broad (Cooke).

### 19. Tylophora, R. Br.

Erect or twining perennial herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small, in axillary or lateral simple or branched umbelliform cymes of flower-clusters or short racemes scattered along them. Calyx 5-partite, glandular within; lobes ovate or lanceolate. Corolla rotate or rotate-campanulate, deeply 5-lobed, the lobes slightly overlapping to the right; corona of 5 small fleshy tubercular processes adnate to the lower part of the staminal-column. Staminal-column arising from the base of the corolla; anthers erect, small, with small inflexed membranous appendages; pollen-masses minute, usually horizontal, attached by their middle or near their base by very slender usually short caudicles to the pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; style-apex pentagonal or 5-lobed, flattened or convex, rarely exserted. Fruit of 2 (or, by abortion, 1) follicular mericarps, smooth, usually acuminate. Seeds flattened, ovoid, margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons elliptic; radicle cylindric.

Stems erect or suberect, sometimes more or less climbing in the branchlets:—
Pollen-carriers very minute, caudicles short; anther-appendages inconspicuous;
leaves ovate or lanceolate, long-petioled, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad:—
Corolla lobes very small, 05 in. long, lanceolate; corona-processes globose

Pollen-carriers elongate, narrow, caudicles long and very slender; corona-processes ovoid, obtusely acute, shorter than the conspicuously appendaged anthers; leaves ovate or lanceolate, acuminate, up to 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad........3. Iphisia. Stems always long and climbing:—

Stems, leaves and inflorescence glabrous; corona-processes subglobose, not

pointed:—
Cymes elongate, divaricate, many-branched, up to 6 in. long and broad, coronaprocesses very minutely puberulous; leaves large, fleshy, elliptic or elliptic-

Cymes short, sessile or peduncled, few-branched, usually umbellate; corona-processes glabrous:—

Stems, leaves and inflorescence more or less pubescent:-

 TYLOPHORA FASCICULATA, Ham. in Wt. Contrib. 50; F. B. I. iv. 40; Wt. Ic. t. 848.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, usually at low levels, among

grass.

A slender erect undershrub with thick fascicled roots, the upper branches often twining to some extent, the flowers minute with filiform pedicels. Follicles lanceolate, 1.5—2 in. long, .5 in. broad, seeds orbicular.

2. Tylophora macrantha, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 40.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam (Barber); Deccan, hilly country from Kurnool to N. Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, at 3,000—5,000 ft. in grass.

A slender erect undershrub with thick fascicled roots, the upper branches twining more or less, similar to No. 1 but with larger flowers and thicker pedicels.

3. Tylophora Iphisia, Done; F. B. I. iv. 40; Wt. Ic. t. 1276. Iphisia multiflora, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 52.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, at 6,000-7,000 ft.

A somewhat stout undershrub, erect at first, then climbing, the flowers dark purple, the follicles lanceolate acuminate, flattened, up to 3.5 in. long, the seeds oblong.

4. Tylophora zeylanica, Dcne; F. B. I. iv. 42.

W. Gháts, forests of Travancore, at 2,000 ft. (Beddome).

A superb and very large creeper (Beddome) with deep purple flowers, the follicles slender, up to 6 in. long, the seeds oblong-obovate.

5. Tylophora capparidifolia, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 51; F. B. I. iv. 41.

W. Gháts, from the Nilgiris to the hills of Tinnevelly.

A much twining undershrub, the follicles slenderly lanceolate and long beaked, up to 4 in. long.

6. Tylophora tenuis, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 42. T. carnosa, Wall.; Wt. Contrib. 49, Ic. t. 351. T. tenuissima, W. & A., in Wt. Contrib. 49, Ic. t. 588.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly, up to 7,000 ft.;

W. Coast, along backwaters in Travancore.

A slender twining undershrub, the follicles linear-lanceolate, 2-3 in. long.

 TYLOPHORA PAUCIFLORA, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 49; F. B. I. iv. 41; Wt. Ic. t. 1274. Deccan, in S. Canara, Mysore and N. Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, up to about 3.000 ft.

A small climber with pale branches, the flowers apparently purplish.

8. Tylophora rotundifolia, Ham. in Wt. Contrib. 50; F. B. I. iv. 43. N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, especially in Sal forest undergrowth; W. Gháts, Anamalais at 5,000 ft. (Beddome).

A curious plant, the follicles broadly ovate-fusiform, hard, about 2 in. long, the seeds nearly orbicular.

D. TYLOPHORA MOLLISSIMA, Wt. Contrib. 49; F. B. I. iv. 43; Wt. Ic. t. 1275.

W. Gháts, Pulney and Sirumalai Hills of Madura, up to 7 000 fr

A slender climber, twining among bushes, the follicles narrowly lanceolate, 2—2.5 in. long, the seeds ovate-oblong with a rather short coma.

 Tylophora asthmatica, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 51; F. B. I. iv. 44; Wt. Ic. t: 1277.

All plains Districts, common in hedges and open forests, up to about 3,000 ft. in hilly country.

A much-branching climber with long fleshy roots, variable leaves, greenish-yellow or greenish-purple flowers and lanceolate sharp-pointed follicles 3—4 in. long, the seeds ovate. The roots and leaves have been used as a substitute for Ipecacuanha (see Roxb., etc.). Vern. *Hind.* Antamul; *Tel.* Kaka palla.

11. Tylophora cordifolia, Thw.; F. B. I. iv. 44. Travancore, at Shencotta (M. Rama Rao).

A very slender small-leaved twining plant with dark purple corolla and slender follicles.

# 20. Telosma, Coville.

Twining undershrubs. Leaves opposite, usually cordate, membranous. Flowers rather large, yellow or greenish, in axillary umbelliform cymes. Calyx 5-partite, minutely glandular within; lobes lanceolate. Corolla somewhat salver-shaped, the tube swollen below, sometimes constricted at the throat; lobes oblong or linear, overlapping to the right, spreading in flower; corona-processes adnate to the back of the staminal column, erect, free above and sometimes 2-lamellate. Staminal-column arising from near the base of the corolla-tube; anthers with membranous tips; pollen-masses erect, waxy, attached to the pollen-carriers by short caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels, style short; style-apex umbonate or capitate. Fruit of 2 lanceolate terete rather turgid follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate, concave, ending in a silky coma.

TELOSMA PALLIDA, Craib in Kew Bull. 1911, 418. Pergularia pallida, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 42; F. B. I. iv. 38; Wt. Ic. t. 585.

N. Circars, Simhachelam Hill, Vizagapatam (W. Elliot); Deccan, Hyderabad (J. Campbell), forests of Kurnool (Rangachari), Sandur Hills of Bellary (Gamble), foot of the Anamalai Hills (Beddome).

A slender climber with pale yellow nearly scentless flowers, a very membranous corona with rounded outer and lanceolate inner lamellae, long clavate pollen-masses, ovate-cordate acuminate leaves and long follicles.

Telosma minor, Craib, is a sweet-scented climber often grown in gardens in S. India and apparently sometimes found run wild, native of the Himalaya. It has greenish-yellow flowers, a corona which is spurred behind, short thick pollen-masses and ovate-cordate leaves with the basal lobes overlapping. The follicles are sometimes 6 in. long, linear-lanceolate, curved near the tip.

## 21. Marsdenia, R. Br.

Twining rarely erect shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small or of moderate size, in terminal or axillary umbellate or corymbose cymes or panicles. Calyx 5-partite, usually with glands within at the base. Corolla campanulate urceolate or rotate, the lobes overlapping to the right in bud; corona-processes 5, membranous or hard or fleshy, adnate at the base to the staminal-column, free above. Staminal-column arising from the base of the corolla-tube; anthers erect, with membranous appendages more or less incumbent over the style-apex; pollen-masses erect, oblong, waxy, attached by usually short caudicles to the hard pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; style short; style-apex large, convex or conical or depressed. Fruit of 2 (more usually 1 only, by abortion) lanceolate or dagger-shaped, acuminate follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate, flattened, margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons flat, ovate; radicle rather short.

1. Marsdenia tenacissima, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 41; F. B. I. iv. 35; Wt. Ic. t. 590. Asclepias tenacissima, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 240.

W. Cháts, Lower Pulneys, at 3,000 ft. (Rodriguez). A stout climbing shrub with large follicles 4—6 in. long. Bark thick, yellowish grey; wood white. It gives a very strong silky fibre, used in Northern India for fishing lines and other purposes. Vern. *Hind.* Tongus, Jitti.

2. Marsdenia Brunoniana, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 36; F. B. I. iv. 36; \*Wt. Ic. t. 356.

Carnatic? near Columala (Kollimalais?) (Wight). A twining shrub.

3. Marsdenia volubilis, T. Cooke Fl. Bomb. ii. 166. Dregea volubilis, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 46. Hoya viridiflora, R. Br.; Wt. Contrib. 39, Ic. t. 586.

All Plains Districts and in the Hills up to 5,000 ft. in dry

regions, common.

A large climbing shrub with green flowers and large woody follicles, blunt at the apex, 4 in. long and nearly 1 in. in breadth. Bark brown, rough, corky; wood white, soft. The stems give a strong fibre. Vern. *Hind.* Nak-chikni; *Mar.* Hirandoli, Ambri; *Tam.* Kurincha.

### 22. Cosmostigma, R. Br.

A twining glabrous shrub. Leaves opposite, membranous, ovate or cordate. Flowers small, in axillary or lateral racemose cymes with rather long peduncles. Calyx 5-partite; lobes ciliate; glands in pairs between the lobes. Corolla rotate, deeply 5-fid, the lobes slightly overlapping to the right; corona-processes erect, membranous, adnate to the base of the staminal-column and shorter than the anthers, truncate bifid trifid or slightly toothed. Staminal-column very short, anthers with a round inflexed membranous appendicle; pollen-masses erect, clavate, attached to the hard pollen-carriers by long slender twisted caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels; style thick; style-apex broad, flat, 5-angled with a wavy rim. Fruit of 2 (or 1) large, lanceolate, blunt, smooth, follicular mericarps. Seeds ovate, margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons flat, elliptic.

COSMOSTIGMA RACEMOSUM, Wt. Contrib. 42; F. B. I. iv. 46; Wt. Ic.

t. 591. C. acuminatum, Wt. Ic. t. 1270.

Deccan, in the hills of the Ceded Districts (Wight); Carnatic, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, Nilgiris; Coast of S. Travancore.

A climber with small greenish flowers with brown dots, the leaves

acute or acuminate, up to 4 in. long, 3 in. broad.

## 23. Oianthus, Benth.

Twining undershrubs. Leaves opposite, usually ribbed from the base. Flowers in axillary few-flowered cymes. Calyx 5-partite; lobes small. Corolla ovoid-urceolate or disciform, contracted at the mouth; lobes 5, short, broad, valvate; corona adnate to the staminal column, cupular, spreading, fleshy, with an inner erect process. Staminal-column arising from the base of the corolla, minute, short, depressed; anthers with short inflexed appendages; pollen-masses ovoid ascending, attached by very short caudicles to the hard pollen-carriers. Style-apex broadly conical, 5-angular, not exserted beyond the anthers.

OIANTHUS BEDDOMEI, Hook. f. Ic. Pl. t. 1466; F. B. I. iv. 49. Wynaad, in the Beigoor forests (Beddome, fig. only).

A twining plant with curious cushion-like much depressed flowers in axillary bracteolate cymes, broadly ovate acuminate subcordate leaves up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, and pubescent branches and petioles.

## 24. Heterostemma, W. & A.

Twining undershrubs. Leaves opposite, with a minute gland near the base on the upper surface, usually 3—5-ribbed from the base. Flowers small, in axillary umbellate or racemose cymes, shortly peduncled. Calyx 5-partite, minutely glandular within. Corolla rotate, the lobes broad, triangular, valvate; corona of 5 spreading lobes, usually with an erect process on the upper side. Staminal-column small, depressed; anthers minute, ending in a small membranous appendage; pollen-masses small, compressed, subquadrate or ovoid, attached by very short caudicles to the hard pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; styleapex sessile, truncate, 5-angled. Fruit of 2 slender terete follicular mericarps, often reflexed. Seeds ovate, broadly margined, ending in a silky coma.

HETEROSTEMMA TANJORENSE, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 42; F. B. I. iv. 47; Wt. Ic. t. 348.

N. Circars, Rampa Hills of Godavari (Ramaswami); Deccan, in Coimbatore (Meebold); S. Carnatic, in sandy places near the sea at Point Calimere in Tanjore (Wight).

A slender twiner, with broadly ovate leaves, obtuse or cordate at base, and up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad; the linear follicles 4 in. long, reflexed, hooked at apex.

# 25. Hoya, R. Br.

Twining pendulous or rarely erect or rambling and rooting often epiphytic shrubs. Leaves opposite, thick and fleshy or coriaceous. Flowers in axillary lateral or terminal umbels. Calyx small, 5-partite, with 5 glandular scales. Corolla rotate, fleshy or waxy; lobes 5, often convex and spreading and reflexed, valvate in bud; corona of 5 fleshy membranous or horny processes adnate to the staminal column, stellately spreading or ascending, often concave on the upper surface, infolded to overlap on the lower, the inner margin usually produced in a spur which is erect or incumbent on the anther. Staminal-column usually short, arising from the base of the corolla; anthers conniving over the style apex with a membranous appendage; pollen-masses erect, waxy, usually flattened and sometimes with thickened outer edge, attached by distinct caudicles to the horny pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 distinct carpels; style-apex 5-angled, the tip flattened or slightly apiculate. Fruit of 2 or 1 follicular mericarps, usually slender with a thin pericarp, rarely turgid with a thick one. Seeds small, ovate or oblong, ending in a long coma; cotyledons thick; radicle cylindric.

Leaves narrow; flowers very few in the umbels, usually 1—3 only:—
Leaves linear gradually dilated from the base to the obcordate tip, ·15 in. broad, about 2 in. long, the midrib conspicuous; flower pedicels ·5—·75 in. long; corolla white, shining, ·5—·75 in. in diam.; corona processes pink, acutely spurred

- HOYA RETUSA, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 56.
   S. Canara, at Gundiar (Meebold).
   A pendulous slender epiphyte.
- 2. Hoya pauciflora, Wt. Ic. t. 1269; F. B. I. iv. 56.

W. Gháts, Sispara in Nilgiris (Lawson), Atapadi Hills of Malabar, at 4,200 ft. (Fischer), hills of Cochin, Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 3,000—4,000 ft. (Wight, etc.).

A slender climber, apparently epiphytic and rooting, the follicles very slender, up to 6 in. long.

3. Hoya Wighth, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 59. H. pendula, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 36 (excl. syn.).

W. Gháts, hills of Coimbatore, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly, at 4,000—6,000 ft.

A stout climber, apparently epiphytic and rooting, the corolla white or greenish, the corona purple, the follicles very slender, up to 4 in. long.

HOYA OVALIFOLIA, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 37; F. B. I. iv. 60;
 Wt. Ic. t. 847 (not good).

W. Gháts, from S. Canara southwards, not common.

A glabrous, probably epiphytic, trailer, with pale straw-coloured corolla.

5. Hoya pendula, Wt. Ic. t. 474; F. B. I. iv. 61.

N. Circars (fide Roxburgh); Nilgiri Hills (Wight).

A slender twining epiphyte with white silky-villous corolla.

Specimens in leaf only received from Mr. A. W. Lushington from the hills of Vizagapatam, 3,500 ft. seem to belong to the N. Indian species H. longifolia, Wall. and H. parasitica, Wall.

### 26. Leptadenia, R. Br.

Shrubs, climbing or erect and then with stiff rush-like stems. Leaves opposite, variable, sometimes absent. Flowers small, in umbellate, lateral or axillary, sessile or pedunculate, many-flowered cymes. Calyx 5-lobed to the middle or beyond, eglandular. Corolla deeply 5-lobed, rotate or with a short campanulate tube; lobes 5, valvate in bud, the margins recurved, pubescent or bearded within; corona double, the outer corolline of 5 fleshy processes at the sinuses of the corolla-lobes, the inner staminal of a raised undulate fleshy ring at the base of the staminal column. Staminal-column arising from the base of the corolla;

anthers incumbent on the style-apex with no or minute appendages; pollen-masses suberect or erect, with a pellucid apex, attached by short caudicles to the pollen-carriers. *Ovary* of 2 carpels; style-apex conical, 5-angled, the tip often bifid. *Fruit* of usually one thick smooth follicle. *Seeds* small, oblong, winged, ending in a silky coma.

LEPTADENIA RETICULATA, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 47; F. B. I. iv. 63; Wt. Ic. t. 350. L. imberbis, Wt. Contrib. 48.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, westward to the E. slopes of the Gháts, up to about 3,000 ft., chiefly in hedges.

A climbing shrub with pale leaves, yellowish flowers and thick sub-woody follicle with a curved obtuse beak. Bark yellowish-brown, rough, thick; wood white, fibrous. Vern. Mar. Kharkhoda.

## 27. Brachystelma, R. Br.

Erect or twining slender herbs from a tuberous root. Leaves opposite or verticillate, very narrowly linear. Flowers small, in axillary umbelliform sessile or peduncled cymes; pedicels filiform. Calyx 5-partite; lobes linear or lanceolate, glandular within. Corolla campanulate-rotate, deeply 5-lobed, the lobes sometimes adherent at the tips, valvate or slightly overlapping to the right in bud, narrowly linear, glabrous or villous; corona adherent to the staminal tube, annular, shortly lobed or with 5 subulate teeth. Staminal-column very short, anthers erect, not appendiculate; pollen-masses erect, globose-ellipsoid, with a pellucid margin or upper angle, attached by very short caudicles to the hard pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; style-apex nearly flat. Fruit of 2 very slender smooth follicular mericarps. Seeds ending in a silky coma.

### Stem erect:-

Brachystelma glabrum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 65.
 Deccan, hills of the Cuddapah District (Beddome).
 A short slender herb, glabrous, the flower small, terminal.

- 2. Brachystelma Bourneae, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1922, 120.
  - W. Gháts, Eastern slopes of the Pulney Hills, at low levels (Bourne).
  - A tall, very slender herb, the corolla greenish-white with dark green spots, the hairs on the lobes and the corona purple, the tubers thick, fusiform.
- 3. Brachystelma maculatum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 65.
  - "Canara and Mysore" (Law); Dimbhum in Coimbatore (Rangachari).
  - A tall slender herb, the corolla-tube spotted, the lobes with stiff purplish hairs, the tubers fusiform.
- 4. Brachystelma Rangacharii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1922, 120.
  - Deccan, Hassanur in Coimbatore (Rangachari).
  - A tall, very slender herb, the corolla apparently pale and very white villous within, the tubers oblong.
- 5. Brachystelma volubile, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 65.
  - Deccan, hills of the Cuddapah District, at about 2,000 ft. (Beddome).
  - A very slender twining herb.
- 6. Brachystelma Brevitubulatum, Gamble n. comb. Ceropegia brevitubulata, Bedd. Ic. t. 174. Brachystelma Beddomei, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 66.
  - Deccan, dry rocky hills above Amerdy, Vellore, about 1,000 ft.
  - A slender twining herb, the corolla-lobes greenish-yellow outside, deep purple within, cohering at their tips, the follicles very slender, 4—5 in. long.

## 28. Ceropegia, Linn.

Perennial herbs, erect or twining; rootstock a tuber or a fascicle of thick fleshy roots. Leaves opposite, sometimes minute or 0. Flowers usually moderate-sized or large, solitary in pairs or in axillary umbellate or racemose cymes, variously coloured; bracteoles often many. Calyx 5-partite, with 5 glandular scales within; lobes narrow. Corolla tubular, the tube usually more or less inflated at the base, then elongate, straight or curved, often funnel-shaped, 5-lobed; lobes valvate in bud, more or less connate at their tips; corona double, arising from the staminal column, the outer annular or cupular, entire or 5-10-toothed or of 5 bifid lobes more or less adnate to the inner of 5 short or long processes opposite to the anthers and incumbent on them or erect. Staminal-column short, included in the base of the tube; anthers short, erect, without appendages; pollen-masses erect or subhorizontal, waxy, with one pellucid margin, attached to the pollen-carriers by short caudicles. Ovary of 2 carpels; style-apex truncate or shortly conical. Fruit of 2 lanceolate or linear, smooth, acuminate follicular mericarps. Seeds usually oblong, margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons small or large, sometimes smaller than the thick radicle.

Stem erect, from a tuberous root; leaves linear; calyx-lobes very slender:— Leaves rarely 1—2 in long, usually less, crowded on a very short stem close

Stem twining, from a tuberous or fibrous fleshy root:-

Leaves membranous:—
Corolla-lobes broad, forming a hemispheric or broadly conical dome over the broadly funnel-shaped mouth of the curved tube:—

Corolla-lobes narrow, shorter than the neck of the tube, forming a conical ovoid or beaked crown over the not much dilated mouth of the tube:—

Leaves and peduncles glabrous:—

Crown in bud long-beaked by the connivent upper parts of the lobes, which are free later; corolla-tube inflated and prominently veined at base, then cylindric, whole length 1—1.5 in.; outer corona-lobes very short, inner processes linear-clavate, connate at tip; leaves variable, ovate orbicular or lanceolate, apiculate, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad

Crown in bud very shortly beaked by the connivent tips of the corollalobes, afterwards opened in a short dome, the lobes sometimes finally

Corollas about 1 in. long, the flowers erect in umbelliform cymes on pendulous peduncles '75 in. long, the tube inflated below, then cylindric, the lobes ciliate within; outer corona-lobes very small, inner processes spathulate; leaves elliptic-ovate or -lanceolate, acuminate, apiculate, up to 4 in. long, 1·5 in. broad. 10. Candelabrum. Corollas about '5 in. long, the flowers in 4—7-flowered axillary cymes on short peduncles, under '5 in. long, the tube slightly inflated below, then funnel-shaped, the crown short; outer corona-lobes minute, inner long, filiform; leaves linear-lanceolate, long-acuminate, 3—4 in. long, '2—3 in. broad, broadest near the base. 11. acuminata.

Crown in bud not beaked, the broad lobes arched and connate only by their

tips, free later; corollas usually curved:-

Corollas ·75—1·25 in. long, tube inflated at base, then narrowly cylindric, then funnel-shaped, the lobes ·2 in. long; outer corona-lobes very small and thin, inner processes erect, spathulate; leaves ovate- or elliptic-lanceolate, sometimes linear-lanceolate, acuminate, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad

12. intermedia.

Corollas 2—2.5 in. long, tube inflated at base, then narrowed, then funnel-shaped, the lobes about  $\cdot 6$  in. long; outer corona-lobes thin, triangular, ciliate, inner processes subulate clavate, slightly longer; leaves elliptic-ovate or -lanceolate, acuminate, up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad

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Leaves and peduncles hispid-pubescent:—

hirsuta.

Corolla-tube not or only slightly inflated at base, narrow above and straight:—

Corolla small, pale; flowers in fascicles on an elongate peduncled raceme:—Corolla ·5 in. long or little more, the lobes about as long as the base and neck of the tube; outer corona-lobes short, obtuse, ciliate, inner processes linear, erect; leaves linear, up to 6 in. long, ·2 in. broad

19. ensifolia. Corolla 1 in long, the lobes about as long as the base and neck of the tube; outer corona-lobes very short, ciliate, inner processes long, spathulate; leaves ovate- or linear-lanceolate, up to 4 in long, 1 in broad

 CEROPEGIA PUSILLA, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 31; F. B. I. iv. 66; Wt. Ic. t. 1261.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, on the grassy downs above 7,000 ft.

A minute herb with a depressed tuber about 1 in. in diam. said to be eaten and to be sought for as food by wild pigs. The corollas are pale in colour with purple stripes shading into pink on the tube and lobes. Follicles fusiform, 1.5 in. long.

2. Ceropegia fimbriifera, Bedd. Ic. t. 172; F. B. I. iv. 66.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, in rocky grassy places near Tunacadavu at

3,000—4,000 ft. (Beddome).

A slender erect herb with a depressed tuber. The corollas have the tube greenish without, striped with deep purple within, and the lobes pale greenish purple, the fringe deep purple.

3. Ceropegia spiralis, Wt. Ic. t. 1267; F. B. I. iv. 66.

Deccan, hills of the Cuddapah District, probably at about 2,000 -3,000 ft.

A slender erect, or slightly twining herb with a depressed tuber and grass-like leaves. The corollas apparently have the base greenish outside, purplish within, the mouth purple and the twisted lobes also dark-coloured. Follicles very slender about 5 in. long.

4. CEROPEGIA JUNCEA, ROXD. Cor. Pl. t. 10; F. B. I. iv. 68; Wt.

Contrib. 30.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic and S. Travancore in dry forests. A fleshy twining plant with branched fibres from the tuberous root, which is edible. The flowers are greenish, speckled and veined with pink and purple, the follicles narrow, up to 5 in. long, long beaked, seeds with the radicle twice as long as the cotyledons. Wight remarks that he has found it growing among the branches of Euphorbia Tirucalli. Vern. Tel. Bella gada; Mar. Kanvel.

5. Ceropegia bulbosa, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 7; F. B. I. iv. 67; Wt.

Contrib. 32; Wt. Ic. t. 845.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry localities, and especially near the

coast; S. Canara and Malabar.

A fleshy twining herb with a round depressed tuber. The small flowers are greenish, the lobes purple within; the follicles very slender, 3 in. long, the radicle as long as the cotyledons and divided. The leaves and tubers are edible. Vern. Tal. Manchi manda.

Var. Lushii, Hook. f. C. Lushii, Grah. in Bot. Mag. t. 3300. Leaves very narrowly linear, 2-4 in. long. Deccan, hills of Cuddapah (Beddome).

6. CEROPEGIA ELEGANS, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 68; Wt. Contrib. 31, Ic. t.

1265, Spic. Neilg. t. 155.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at 3,000-6,000 ft.

A very pretty slender twiner, the corolla pale blue or green, spotted with purple, the tips of the lobes and the ciliae deep purple; the follicles are very slender, reaching 7-8 in. in length.

7. CEROPEGIA MYSORENSIS, Wt. Ic. t. 846; F. B. I. iv. 69. Deccan, Mysore and Coimbatore, up to 3,000 ft.; hills of Tinnevelly.

A slender twiner, the corolla pale green below, bluish above, and spotted with red on the funnel, the tips of the lobes deep purple to nearly black. Follicles very slender, about 6 in. long.

8. Ceropegia Walkerae, Wt. Ic. t. 1266; F. B. I. iv. 69. W. Ghats, in Wynaad, at about 3,000 ft.; Coorg? (Bourne). A very slender twiner, the corolla pale blue with minute purple spots, a little like those of C. elegans but without the ciliae, and the dome of the corolla less depressed.

9. Ceropegia tuberosa, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 9; F. B. I. iv. 70; Wt.

Contrib. 32, Ic. t. 353.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to the lower slopes of the Gháts,

up to about 3,000 ft., common.

A glabrous twiner with tuberous roots giving out fleshy fibrous ones. The corolla is pale green, yellowish inside, purple at the tips of the lobes, and the follicles are very slender, up to 5 in. long, the seeds strongly margined.

10. CEROPEGIA CANDELABRUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 70. C. Elliottii, Hook.

f.; F. B. I. iv. 70

N. Circars, Simhachelam Hill, Vizagapatam (W. Elliot); W. Gháts, hills of Coimbatore, Nilgiris, and hills of Travancore

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore.

A slender climber with corollas apparently green below, the tips purplish, the veins prominent; follicles linear, very slender. Rheede, Hort. Mal. ix. t. 16, a striking picture, shows umbels with all the flowers in bloom at the same time, which is unlikely.

11. CEROPEGIA ACUMINATA, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 8; F. B. I. iv. 70; Wt. Contrib. 32. C. discreta, N. E. Br. in Kew Bull. 1909, 262?

Eastern Coast, cultivated in Madras (Bourne), Coimbatore? A slender twiner growing from a flattened tuber, the corollas very small, pale, almost white, with purplish tips to the lobes. Follicles curved, 3 in. long, slender. Roxburgh says that all parts are edible. Vern. Tel. Commoo manda.

12. Ceropegia intermedia, Wt. Ic. t. 1263; F. B. I. iv. 71.

W. Gháts, from Wynaad to the Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of

Travancore and Tinnevelly, at 2,000-3,000 ft.

A slender twiner from a fibrous rootstock, the corollas pale purplish below, the lobes darker, the follicles very slender and straight, 5-6 in. long.

Var. Wightii, Hook. f.; leaves linear lanceolate, usually under 5 in.

broad, the follicles rather shorter.

Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly (Wight, Bourne).

13. Ceropegia Thwaitesii, Hook. Bot. Mag. t. 4758; F. B. I. iv. 71. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore,

2,500—7,000 ft.

A rather stout twiner, the corolla pale green with purple blotches on the tube, also a purple band across the lobes and white and green above it. Follicles very long and slender, almost up to 12 in., the tips hooked; the seeds are long, the radicle thick, nearly as long as the oblong cotyledons.

14. Ceropegia ciliata, Wt. Ic. t. 1262; Spic. Neilg. t. 154; F. B. I. iv. 72.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris at 6,000-7,000 ft., common, less sổ in the Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly.

A slender hispid twiner from a round, rather flattened tuber,

the corolla pale green outside, purplish within, the lobes dark green or lead-coloured; follicles short, slender.

15. Ceropegia hirsuta, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 30; F. B. I. iv. 71. C. vincaefolia, Hook. Bot. Mag. t. 3740.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Fischer); Rampa Hills of Godavari (Narayanswami); W. Ghats, Nilgiri Hills (Wight), Anamalais (Beddome).

A hispid climber with tuberous roots, the corolla greenish with small purple spots, the lobes red-purple; calyx lobes long and slender; follicles narrow, 4 in. long. The leaves are very variable, running from broadly ovate to linear (in the var.).

Var. stenophylla, Hook. f. Leaves very narrowly linear, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad; corolla more purple spotted, the cone of the lobes crowned by pale and purple bands olive-green above; inner coronaprocesses clavate; tuber rather small, flattened-globose.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and Pulneys at 3,000-5,000 ft.

 Ceropegia Decaisneana, Wt. Ic. t. 1259, Spic. Neilg. t. 152; F. B. I. iv. 73.

W. Gháts, on the Sispara Ghát, Nilgiris (Wight, Gardner).

A slender climber with tuberous root and narrow leaves, the large corolla much inflated, green with pale purple spots all over, the corona orange, tipped with purple; follicles very slender.

17. CEROPEGIA BREVICOLLIS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 74.
W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills at 2,000—3,000 ft.
A slender climber with irregularly purple-spotted corolla, very short in the neck of the tube; follicles nearly 1 ft. long, very slender.

18. Ceropegia Stocksii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 74.

W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalais and hills of Travancore at 2,000
 4,000 ft., in moist forests.

A rather large climber with corollas green shaded with purple and with purple spots on the funnel part of the tube; follicles very slender, nearly 1 ft. long.

19. Ceropegia ensifolia, Bedd. Ic. t. 173; F. B. I. iv. 75.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, in rocky places, 3,000—3,500 ft. (Beddome).

A slender twiner with subglobose tubers, very narrow leaves, greenish-white corollas and slender follicles 6—7 in. long.

20. Ceropegia albiflora, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 75.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore near Peermerd, 3,500 ft. (Beddome). A slender twiner with long-peduncled inflorescence, white corollas and more or less lanceolate leaves with very oblique nerves.

21. CEROPECIA BEDDOMEI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 75.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore, on the Peermerd Ghát, 2,500 ft. (Beddome), hills of Cochin (Johnstone).

A slender twiner with slender flowers, dark purple without, mottled with pale reticulations within the lobes.

### 29. Caralluma, R. Br. (ampl.).

Perennial herbs with angular fleshy stems, usually with many branches. Leaves minute, deciduous, on the angles of the stems, often spine-like. Flowers in few-flowered fascicles at the upper nodes or in terminal umbels, subsessile or pedicellate. Calyx 5-partite; lobes narrow, glabrous. Corolla rotate or broadly campanulate; lobes 5, valvate in bud; corona double, the outer annular or cupular, with 5 2-cuspidate lobes, the inner adnate to the outer, elongate and inflexed over the anthers. Staminal-column short, arising from the base of the corolla; anthers not appendaged; pollen-masses erect, suborbicular, compressed, pellucid on the inner margin or at the apex, attached by short slender caudicles to the pollen-carriers. Ovary of 2 carpels; styleapex truncate, 5-angled. Fruit of 2 linear or linear-lanceolate, smooth, follicular mericarps. Seeds oblong, flattened, broadly margined, ending in a silky coma; cotyledons small, much shorter than the large fleshy radicle.

Flowers in terminal umbels; corolla-lobes broad: -

Umbels many-flowered:-

Corolla glabrous:-

 CARALLUMA ADSCENDENS, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 76; Wt. Contrib. 33. Stapelia adscendens, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 30.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in arid places, among bushes,

A fleshy herb, sometimes eaten, the corolla yellowish, with dark purple tips to the lobes, the follicles slender, 4—5 in. long. Vern. Tel. Kar allum.

2. CARALLUMA ATTENUATA, Wt. Ic. t. 1268; F. B. I. iv. 76. C. fimbriata, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 77, not of Wall.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, up to 2,000 ft. in the hills and

on dry slopes of the Gháts, among shrubs, common.

A fleshy herb, said to be edible, the corolla banded white or green and purple on the tube and lower part of the lobes, the upper part dark purple and with purple fringes, the follicles linear-lanceolate, 4—6 in. long.

3. CARALLUMA UMBELLATA, Haw. Syn. Pl. Succ. 47. Boucerosia umbellata, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 34, Ic. t. 495; F. B. I. iv. 77. Stapelia umbellata, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 241.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, up to 4,000 ft. in hilly regions, on dry and arid lands, rather common.

An erect branching succulent herb, with large and striking flowers, the follicles slender, hooked.

CARALLUMA CAMPANULATA, N. E. Br. in Gard. Chron. 1892, ii. 369;
 Bot. Mag. t. 7274. Boucerosia umbellata, W. & A. var. campanulata,
 Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 77. B. campanulata, Wt. Ic. t. 1289.

S. Deccan and Carnatic to the E. slopes of the Ghats, apparently scarce.

An erect branching succulent with striking flowers, impossible to distinguish from the last in dried specimens, but good drawings exist.

CARALLUMA DIFFUSA, N. E. Br. Boucerosia diffusa, Wt. Ic. t. 1599;
 F. B. I. iv. 78.

Deccan, arid rocky hills in Coimbatore at about 2,000 ft. A diffuse procumbent fleshy herb with many ascending branches, the corolla dark purplish-brown with many very fine whitish concentric lines, the follicles slender, nearly 6 in. long.

6. CARALLUMA LASIANTHA, N. E. Br. Boucerosia lasiantha, Wt. Ic. t. 1286.

Deccan, hills of the Chittoor District (Wight, etc.), dry lands near Gooty.

A many-branched fleshy herb, the corolla very villous.

7. CARALLUMA INDICA, N. E. Br. Hutchinia indica, W. & A. in Wt. Contrib. 35. Boucerosia Hutchinia, Dene; F. B. I. iv. 78.

E. Coast, Nellore (Wight), S. Arcot (Lawson).

A small fleshy herb with many slender stems scarcely 2 in. in diam., acute leaves and pale greenish-white corolla, outwardly tinged with purple and with purplish hairs and fringes.

8. CARALLUMA PAUCIFLORA, N. E. Br. Boucerosia pauciflora, Wt.; F. B. I. iv. 78.

S. Carnatic, in Tinnevelly and S. Travancore.

A small diffuse fleshy herb with slender stems, minute recurved leaves and a pale corolla minutely banded with slender purple concentric lines within, whitish without.

Cryptostegia grandiflora, R. Br., is a stout climbing shrub with large rose-coloured showy flowers, which, a native of tropical Africa, is much grown in gardens and has become more or less naturalised. It gives a fairly good caoutchouc, which is not, however, an article of commerce.

# Family CI. LOGANIACEAE.

Trees, erect or climbing shrubs or herbs. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate, entire; stipules present or reduced to a transverse line. Flowers usually regular, hermaphrodite, in terminal or axillary simple or compound cymes, sometimes solitary. Calyx small inferior, lobes 4—5. Corolla gamopetalous, 4—5-lobed, the lobes imbricate or valvate. Stamens 4—5, inserted on the corolla-tube, alternate with the lobes; anthers 2-celled, introrse. Ovary free, usually 2-celled; ovules 1—many in each cell; style simple; stigma capitate or bifid. Fruit a septicidal capsule or indehiscent berry. Seeds various; albumen fleshy or cartilaginous; embryo straight.

### 1. Mitreola, Linn.

Herbs. Leaves opposite, membranous; stipules small or reduced to a transverse line. Flowers small, white, in 2—3-chotomous terminal or axillary peduncled cymes, often unilateral on the cyme-branches. Calyx 5-partite; lobes lanceolate. Corolla urceolate; lobes 5, short, valvate. Stamens 5, included; filaments short; anthers ovate cordate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell, on peltate placentas; styles 2, short, connate under a small pilose stigma, at length divergent. Fruit a laterally compressed, truncate or 2-horned capsule, the carpels at first separating, then dehiscing along the inner face. Seeds very many, minute, globose or elongate; albumen fleshy; embryo linear; cotyledons small; radicle terete.

MITTEOLA OLDENLANDIOIDES, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 79.

N. Circars, in Ganiam, open places in Sal forest.

N. Circars, in Ganjam, open places in Sal forest. An annual herb reaching 6—18 in. in height, the leaves elliptic-ovate or -lanceolate, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad, the long unilateral cyme-branches characteristic.

## 2. Mitrasacme, Labill.

Small slender herbs. Leaves opposite; petioles joined in a small sheath. Flowers small, white or yellowish, terminal or axillary, solitary clustered or in irregular umbels. Calyx campanulate, 4-fid. Corolla campanulate; lobes 4, valvate. Stamens 4, inserted near the base of the corolla-tube, usually included. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell, on peltate placentas; styles 2, at first connate, afterwards free under the capitate or 2-lobed stigma. Fruit a subglobose capsule, usually compressed contrary to the septum, truncate or 2-horned at apex; carpels at first separating, then dehiscing down the inner face. Secds numerous, minute, subglobose; testa smooth, sometimes reticulate; albumen fleshy; embryo straight.

1. MITRASACME ALSINOIDES, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 80. M. indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1601 (1).

Deccan and Carnatic; W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore. A very slender annual herb, under 6 in. high.

2. MITRASACME POLYMORPHA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 80. M. malaccensis, Wt. Ic. t. 1601 (2).

W. Coast, in S. Canara (Hohenacker).

A very slender annual herb, the leaves chiefly at or near the base.

### 3. Buddleia, Linn.

Trees, shrubs or herbs. Leaves opposite, entire, or toothed, united by a stipular line. Flowers in usually dense, globose or corymbose cymes, axillary or in a terminal thyrsoid panicle. Calyx campanulate, 4-lobed. Corolla urceolate or cylindric; lobes 4, short, imbricate in bud. Stamens 4, on the corolla-tube; anthers subsessile, ovate or oblong, cells parallel. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell, many-seriate; style filiform; stigma capitate, terminal or decurrent on two sides. Fruit a septicidally 2-valved capsule. Seeds very many, oblong or fusiform; testa appressed or largely reticulate, often expanded in wings or tails; albumen fleshy; embryo straight.

BUDDLEIA ASIATICA, Lour.; F. B. I. iv. 82. B. discolor, Roth.; Wt.

Ic. t. 894.

All forest Districts in hilly country, up to 4,000 ft., chiefly in second-growth forests, on roadsides and near villages, also on river lands and in ravines; often cultivated in gardens.

A large evergreen shrub with white fragrant flowers in terminal panicles and lanceolate leaves white-tomentose beneath. Bark thin, grey; wood grey, moderately hard. Vern. *Hind*. Nimda.

# 4. Fagraea, Thunb.

Glabrous trees or shrubs, often epiphytic, sometimes scandent. Leaves opposite, coriaceous, entire; petioles dilated at the base or united by a stipular sheath. Flowers large or small, white yellowish or rarely pink, in bracteate terminal or axillary cymes, grouped in corymbs, racemes or elongate panicles. Calyx deeply 5-fid, the lobes thick, broad, imbricate, persistent. Corolla-tube long, tubular or funnel-shaped; lobes 5, broad, twisted and slightly overlapping to the right in bud. Stamens 5, adnate to the corolla-tube, exserted; filaments slender; anthers oblong or ovate with parallel cells. Ovary 2-celled or 1-celled above; ovules very many in each cell; style slender; stigma capitate. Fruit a 1—2-celled many-seeded pulpy berry. Seeds embedded in the pulp; testa crustaceous; albumen horny; embryo small, straight.

1. FAGRAEA ZEYLANICA, Thunb.; F. B. I. iv. 83.

W. Coast, open forests of Travancore, up to 2,000 ft., Tinnevelly. A small tree generally epiphytic when young, afterwards reaching 30 ft. in height, the flowers cream-coloured, the berry ovoid up to 2 in. long, the leaves obovate up to 10 in. long. Vern. Mal. Vallerei.

FAGRAEA OBOVATA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 83. F. coromandelina, Wt. Ic. t. 1316; Bedd. Fl. t. 244. F. malabarica, Wt. Ic. t. 1317.
 W. Gháts, in evergreen forests in all Districts, up to 5,000 ft.

A small tree, generally epiphytic when young, afterwards up to 30 ft. high, with cream-coloured large flowers, ovoid smooth berry and obovate spathulate obtuse fleshy leaves. Bark grey, smooth; wood grey, soft. Vern. Kan. Ginnuna; Mal. Omal.

### 5. Strychnos, Linn.

Trees or climbing shrubs with usually short clavate circinate tendrils, in some of the axils, the adjacent leaf being then often suppressed. Leaves opposite, usually coriaceous, with 3—5 or more ribs starting from or a little above the base; main nerves transverse joining the midrib and upper side ribs, less conspicuous. Flowers white or yellowish, in terminal or axillary cymes; bracts and bracteoles small. Calyx 5- or 4-lobed. Corolla salver-shaped; tube cylindric; lobes 5 or 4, valvate. Stamens 5 or 4 adnate to the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers ovate or oblong, cells parallel. Ovary 2-celled, or 1-celled above; ovules many in each cell; style long or short; stigma capitate or obscurely 2-lobed. Fruit a berry, globose, indehiscent, with a hardened pericarp. Seeds many, or 1—2, embedded in a fleshy pulp; globose or compressed, the hilum ventral; albumen horny; embryo short, the cotyledons foliaceous; radicle terete, short.

Analysis and Descriptions after A. W. Hill in Kew Bull. 1917, 121.

Corolla-tube short, lobes longer than the tube, glabrous or woolly-tomentose on the throat, tendrils bifid, curved and thickened:—

Corolla-tube elongate, much longer than the lobes:—

 1. STRYCHNOS AENEA, A. W. Hill. S. Rheedii, Brandis Ind. Trees 474, not of F. B. I.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore at 2,000-4,000 ft.,

in evergreen forest.

A large climbing shrub with prominently reticulate leaves, the fruit said to be spherical, about 2 in. in diam.

2. STRYCHNOS BICIRRHOSA, Lesch. S. colubrina, C. B. Clarke in F. B. I. iv. 87, in part.

S. Carnatic, in Tanjore (Leschenault).

A climbing shrub with smooth minutely pubescent stems.

3. Strychnos potatorum, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 90; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 5; Wt. Ill. t. 156.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, in deciduous forests and up to 4,000 ft. in the hills. The Clearing Nut. A medium-sized tree which may reach 50 ft. in height. The fruit is a globose 1—2-seeded berry 5—7 in. in diam., and the seeds are used to clear muddy water. Bark brownish-black, corky, deeply cracked; wood white turning yellowish-grey, hard, closegrained and of curious structure, but is little used. Vern. Hind.

Nirmali; Ur. Kotaki; Tel. Chilla; Tam. Tattan Kottei.
4. Strychnos colubrina, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 87 in part only. S. Bed-

domei, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 88 in part.

Carnatic, Veligonda hills of Nellore (Ramaswami); W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, to the lower forests of the W. Gháts. A large climbing shrub with smooth bark and 1—3 seeded, berry 7 in. in diam. wth crustaceous pericarp.

5. STRYCHNOS LENTICELLATA, A. W. Hill.

E. Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, in hilly country and deciduous forest.

A climbing shrub with lenticellate stems, the crustaceous berry 75 in. in diam. with 1—2 orbicular flattened seeds. Vern. Tam. Cheru mulagu.

6. STRYCHNOS DALZELLII, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 87.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).

A large climber with ovate leaves, the crustaceous berry 6 in. in diam. with several discoid seeds.

Var. lanceolaris, A. W. Hill, leaves narrowly lanceolate, scarcely 1 in. broad. Coorg and Wynaad (Beddome).

7. STRYCHNOS NUX-VOMICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 90; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 4; Bedd. Fl. t. 243.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, also W. Coast, in deciduous forest and up to 4,000 ft. in hilly country; common on laterite and in sandy coast forests as at Strihari Kota. The Nux vomica or Strychnine tree.

A moderate-sized or large deciduous tree with greenish-white flowers having the scent of fenugreek and orange-red berries

up to 2 in. in diam. with 3—4 flat seeds. These seeds contain strychnine and are collected and exported largely. Bark thin, dark-grey or yellowish-grey; wood white, turning yellowish-grey, hard, close-grained and of curious structure, used for various purposes. Vern. *Hind*. Kuchila; *Ur*. Kachila; *Tel*. Mushti; *Tam*. Yetti; *Mal*. Kanjerám.

8. STRYCHNOS CINNAMOMIFOLIA, Thw.; F. B. I. iv. 89 in part. Var. Wightii, A. W. Hill. S. Bourdilloni, Brandis Ind. Trees 474.

Deccan, forests of Kurnool and Mysore; W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore in evergreen forests, up to 3,000 ft.

A very large climbing shrub with simple tendrils, the berry very large, 4 in. in diam. (Bourdillon), the seeds ovoid, flattened, 1 in. long. The seeds give an alkaloid, chiefly brucine.

### 6. Gardneria, Wall.

Large climbing shrubs, glabrous. Leaves opposite, entire, the petioles connected by a stipular line. Flowers in axillary pedunculate cymes; bracts in pairs, bracteoles on the pedicels. Calyx small, deeply 4—5-lobed. Corolla rotate, lobes 4—5, thick, valvate in bud. Stamens 4—5, inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments very short; anthers oblong, subconnate, erect, the cells longitudinal. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 1 in each cell; style subulate; stigma shortly 2-lobed. Fruit a globose 2-seeded berry, the pericarp fleshy. Seed hemispheric, cup-shaped, with a deep inner cavity filled with the pulpy placenta; testa coriaceous; albumen fleshy; embryo small, the cotyledons flat; radicle inferior.

GARDNERIA OVATA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 93. G. Wallichii, Wt. Ic. t. 1313.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore at 4,000—7,000 ft.; hills of Mysore.

A large climber with spirally twisting stem, the leaves elliptic acute, up to 3 in long, the yellow flowers in trichotomous cymes of about 1—5, the berry scarlet. Bark dark brown, wood in wedges of porous tissue, radiating from the centre.

# Family CII. GENTIANACEAE.

Herbs, usually glabrous and bitter, rarely shrubs. Leaves opposite, rarely alternate, entire, exstipulate. Flowers usually regular and hermaphrodite, in terminal cymes or clusters, or axillary and clustered or solitary, rarely bracteate. Calyx inferior, 4—7-lobed or -partite, the lobes usually imbricate in bud. Corolla-tube campanulate, funnel-shaped or cylindric; lobes 4—7, twisted to the right or (in Limnanthemum) induplicate-valvate. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes and alternate with them, inserted in the corolla-tube or at its mouth; filaments linear, sometimes dilated below; anthers dehiscing longitudinally, sometimes by apical pores. Disk annular, or of 5 glands or none. Ovary of 2 carpels, 1—2-celled; ovules usually numerous; style simple; stigma entire or 2-lobed. Fruit a membranous capsule, septicidally

2-valved, rarely a fleshy berry. Seeds many, small, sometimes winged, testa membranous or crustaceous; albumen copious; embryo small.
Terrestrial herbs; leaves opposite; corolla-lobes contorted in bud:— Ovary 2-celled; style filiform; flowers blue purple or white
Ovary 1-celled:— Corolla-lobes without pits, depressions or spurs at the base:—
Corolla regular:—
Style linear:—  Flowers white, in sessile axillary clusters
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Flowers pink or white, in dichotomous cymes..................3. Erythraea. Style short or none, flowers usually blue......4. Gentiana.

Corolla irregular:-

Corolla-lobes with pits depressions or spurs at the base:-Aquatic herbs; leaves alternate; corolla-lobes induplicate-valvate in bud 9. Limnanthemum.

### 1. Exacum, Linn.

Herbs, sometimes subshrubby and much branched. Leaves opposite, entire, usually 3- or more-ribbed. Flowers in terminal and axillary usually leafy dichasioid cymes. Calyx deeply 4-5-lobed, the lobes keeled winged or flat on the back. Corolla rotate, usually blue purple or white; tube short, globose; lobes 4-5, overlapping to the right in bud. Stamens 4-5, inserted on the throat of the corolla; filaments short, anthers usually oblong, dehiscing by terminal pores at length extended downwards. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell on large fleshy placentas adnate to the septum; style long; stigma small, subcapitate. Fruit a globose septicidally 2-valved capsule. Seeds many, minute, subcuboid, the testa granular.

Corolla large, lobes at least .25 in. long:-

Flowers tetramerous; stems 4-angled, often slightly winged:-Corolla-lobes '75—1.5 in. long; calyx lobes ovate, gradually acuminate, with a narrow dorsal wing; anthers '4 in. long, straight; leaves ovate, acute, 5or 7-ribbed, up to 5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; bracts broadly ovate, acute

Corolla-lobes 75-1 in long; calyx-lobes ovate, abruptly cuspidate acuminate with a broad rounded dorsal wing; anthers nearly 5 in long, curved; leaves ovate or oblong-lanceolate, acuminate, 5-ribbed, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad; 

Flowers pentamerous: -

Stems 4-winged or 4-angled, the wings sometimes nearly obsolete towards the

Tall sub-shrubby herb; cymes spreading, the pedicels recurved especially in fruit; corolla-lobes 75 in. long, apiculate; calyx-lobes lanceolate, setaceousacuminate, with a broad rounded dorsal wing; anthers 2-3 in. long, not attenuate, with a round gland at the top of the connective behind; leaves membranous, ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, 3- or 5-ribbed, up to 4 in. long,  Low bushy perennial much-branched herbs; leaves small, fleshy, with thin margins, 3-ribbed; pedicels erect; anthers not glandular at the back:—
Flowers about 3, corymbose at the ends of leafy branches, pedicels 4—6 in. long; calyx-lobes narrowly lanceolate, 4 in. long, the dorsal wing attenuate at base; corolla-lobes obovate, 35 in. long; leaves lanceolate acuminate up to 3 in. long, 5 in. broad, the tips often recurved

8. anamallayanum.

Corolla small, lobes less than ·3 in. long; flowers tetramerous; stems 4-angled:—

Calyx-lobes with a dorsal wing:—

Dorsal wing of the calyx-lobes narrow; pedicels short, under ·5 in. long; corolla-lobes elliptic, acute, up to ·3 in. long; anthers ·15 in. long; leaves subsessile, elliptic or lanceolate, up to 2·5 in. long, ·5 in. broad, usually 3-ribbed 9. pedunculatum.

Flowers subsessile; calyx-lobes ovate, indistinctly 3-nerved; corolla-lobes ovate, 3 in. long; leaves small, sessile, obscurely 3-ribbed, up to 25 in. long

1. EXACUM PERROTTETH, Griseb.; F. B. I. iv. 95; Wt. Ic. t. 1322.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam 4,000—5,000 ft. (Fischer and Gage); Deccan, hills of Mysore; Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills of Salem at 4,500 ft. (Beddome); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, chiefly about Coonoor and Kotagiri, at 6,000 ft., in grass.

An erect herb, reaching 2 ft. high, sometimes more, the flowers rose-coloured or blue, very handsome.

2. Exacum bicolor, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 96; Wt. Ic. t. 1321.

N. Circars, Sukmamri Hill in Godavari, 3,000 ft. (Gamble); Deccan, in Mysore and Coimbatore, in hilly country; W. Gháts, most Districts, at 4,000—6,000 ft., in grassy pastures.

An erect herb, about 2 ft. high, the corolla-lobes generally white in the lower, bright blue in the upper half. The size of the leaves is variable according to locality and soil.

3. Exacum tetragonum, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 95.

N. Circars, Rampa Hills of Godavari (V. Narayanswami). An erect herb about 2 ft. high with azure blue flowers.

Exacum Wightianum, Arn.; F. B. I. iv. 97; Wt. Ic. t. 840.
 W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at 5,000—7,000 ft.

An erect herb up to 3 ft. high, the corolla bright blue, the flowers and especially the capsule prominently curved downwards.

EXACUM COURTALLENSE, Arn.; F. B. I. iv. 97; Wt. Ic. t. 1323.
 W. Gháts, Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight).
 A very pretty bushy perennial herb with many deep blue flowers

and fleshy leaves.

Var. laxiflorum, Gamble. Flowers in lax leafy cymes, leaves longer and more acuminate, calyx-lobes much nerved, especially in fruit.

Travancore Hills (Beddome).

6. Exacum travancoricum, Bedd. Ic. t. 118. E. courtallense, Arn. var. travancorica, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 97.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore at 4,500 ft. (Beddome), Agastia-malai Peak (Barber), in grassy places and on rocks. An erect perennial herb with solitary cobalt-blue flowers on

An erect perennial herb with solitary cobalt-blue flowers on long peduncles near the ends of small closely packed fleshy leaves, the whole forming a globular bush about 8 in. high.

Exacum atropurpureum, Bedd. Ic. t. 119; F. B. I. iv. 97.
 W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 3,000—5,000 ft., in grass land.

An erect herb with very deep blue flowers and ovate leaves in distichous pairs.

Var. palghatense, Gamble. Stems winged on the angles; flowers in elongate terminal corymbs, the upper pairs of leaves becoming small and bract-like, the calyx-lobes much narrower.

Palghát Hills at 6,000 ft. (Beddome), Poonachi, Anamalais, at 5,000 ft. (Barber).

8. EXACUM ANAMALLAYANUM, Bedd. Ic. t. 154. E. atropurpureum, Bedd. var. anamallayanum, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 97. E. Saulierei, Dunn in Kew Bull. 1914, 30.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and Pulney Hills, at 6,000—7,000 ft. A shrubby perennial herb reaching 2—3 ft. high with deep blue (the deepest ultramarine, *Bedd*.) flowers and leathery leaves, said by Beddome to be the "most lovely species of the genus."

EXACUM PEDUNCULATUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 97; Wt. Ic. t. 336.
 All plains Districts and up to about 3,000 ft. in the hills, in grass lands and moist places.
 An erect annual reaching 12—18 in. high, with blue or lilac flowers.

EXACUM PETIOLARE, Griseb.; F. B. I. iv. 98; Wt. Ic. t. 1324 (2).
 W. Gháts, hills of Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Cochin, at 1,500—4,000 ft.
 An erect slender annual, up to 12 in. high, with white or pale blue flowers.

11. Exacum sessie, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 98; Wt. Ic. t. 1324 (1).
W. Coast and W. Gháts, in most Districts up to 4,000 ft.
A small annual herb with blue flowers reaching about 6 in. in

height. Hill specimens are much more slender than those from near the coast.

12. Exacum Lawii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 98.

Bababudan hills of Mysore (Law).

A small erect slender herb with rather large purplish blue flowers.

Small specimens collected by C. E. C. Fischer in the Anamalai Hills at 4,000 ft. seem to belong to *E. pumilum*, Griseb.; F. B. I. iv. 98; Wt. Ic. t. 1324 (3).

### 2. Enicostemma, Blume.

Erect or procumbent branching herbs. Leaves opposite, sessile. Flowers small, in sessile axillary clusters. Calyx deeply 5-lobed. Corollatube long, tubular below, funnel-shaped above; lobes 5, small, overlapping to the right in bud. Stamens 5, inserted at the middle of the corollatube; filaments filiform with a small double-hooded scale at the base; anthers erect, acute, included. Ovary 1-celled, placentas little intruded; ovules many; style short; stigma capitate. Fruit an ellipsoid capsule, septicidally 2-valved, the valves separating. Seeds many, subglobose, reticulate.

ENICOSTEMMA LITTORALE, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 101. Adenema hysso-

pifolium, G. Don; Wt. Ic. t. 600.

All plains Districts and to 1,500 ft. in the hills, chiefly however

near the sea, often on black cotton soil.

A perennial herb from a thick rootstock, with many erect or procumbent branches, bearing narrow linear or linear-oblong leaves, very variable, 3-ribbed, up to 2.3 in. long and about 5 in. broad. Flowers white, in dense clusters on the stem. An infusion of the plant is used as a ronic like gentian. Vern. Tam. Vellaragu.

### 3. Erythraea, Renealm.

Annual or perennial erect branching herbs. Leaves opposite, sessile. Flowers pink or white or sometimes yellow, in dichotomous often corymbose cymes. Calyx tubular, 4- or 5-lobed, the lobes keeled. Corolla-tube long or short, lobes 5, rarely 4, spreading. Stamens 5, rarely 4, inserted near the throat of the corolla-tube; filaments short, linear; anthers oblong, often spirally twisted, exserted. Ovary 1-celled, the placentas much intruded; ovules many; style linear; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong capsule almost 2-celled, septicidally 2-valved. Seeds minute, reticulate.

ERYTHRAEA ROXBURGHII, G. Don; F. B. I. iv. 102; Wt. Ic. t. 1325. Most plains Districts, in cultivated fields and on grass lands. An erect herb reaching 8 in. in height, the flowers rose-coloured or white (Wight), the radical leaves spathulate, the stem ones linear, the flowers in good specimens in long-pedicelled dichasia, the capsules often '3 in. long.

### 4. Gentiana, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs, sometimes woody below. Leaves opposite, often connate at base. Flowers blue, yellow or white, axillary or

terminal, usually sessile. Calyx tubular, terete or rarely keeled, sometimes spathaceous; lobes 5 or 4. Corolla tubular campanulate funnelshaped or subrotate; lobes 5—4, often with folds between the lobes. Stamens 5 or 4, attached at or below the middle of the tube, included; filaments linear, somewhat flattened below; anthers oblong or ovate. Ovary 1-celled, placentas slightly intruded; ovules many, style usually short; stigma bilobed. Fruit a stalked or sessile, oblong or ellipsoid capsule, dehiscing septicidally. Seeds many, small, the testa reticulate.

1. Gentiana pedicellata, Wall. G. quadrifaria, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 111 in part.

Var. Wightii, Kusnezow Acta Hort. Petrop. xv. 401. G. pedicellata, Wt. Ic. t. 1328, Spic. Neilg. t. 164.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalai and Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly, above 6,000 ft., in pasture lands. A tufted herb with bright pale blue flowers.

2. GENTIANA QUADRIFARIA, Bl.; F. B. I. iv. 111 in part.

Var. zeylanica, Kusnezow Acta Hort. Petrop. xv. 403. Bababudan Hills of Mysore, about 6,000 ft. An erect herb, little branching, with blue flowers.

# 5. Hoppea, Willd.

Small, much-branched glabrous herbs. Leaves opposite, small, sessile. Flowers sessile or short-pedicelled, in 2—3-chotomus cymes, small. Calyx campanulate, membranous; lobes 4, lanceolate. Corolla tubular; lobes 4, more or less unequal. Stamens inserted in the throat of the corolla, 1 perfect, 3 barren or wanting; filament linear, short; anther ovate, with parallel cells. Ovary 1-celled, placentas little intruded; style short, stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a globose or ellipsoid capsule, septicidally 2-valved. Seeds very many, minute, obscurely reticulate.

1. HOPPEA DICHOTOMA, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 100.

N. Circars and Deccan in grass, as far south as Salem and Chingleput.

A small herb, up to about 6 in. high, with pale yellow flowers.

2. HOPPEA FASTICIATA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 100. N. Circars, in Ganjam (Gamble); Deccan, in Mysore; W. Coast from S. Canara to Travancore. A small herb, up to about 6 in. high, with pale yellow flowers.

### 6. Canscora, Lamk.

Annual dichotomously branched herbs. Leaves opposite, sessile, petiolate or perfoliate. Flowers pink or white, in lax terminal dichasioid cymes, or axillary or spicate; bracts leafy or subulate, sometimes perfoliate. Calyx tubular, 4-toothed; tube terete and striate, keeled or winged. Corolla-tube cylindric, usually very thin and membranous; lobes 4, more or less unequal, imbricate and overlapping to the right in bud. Stamens 4, inserted on the corolla-tube, 1 or 2 with longer filaments and larger fertile anthers, 3 or 2 with shorter filaments which are usually sterile. Ovary 1-celled, placentas slightly intruded; ovules many; style filiform; stigma deeply 2-lobed. Fruit a cylindric membranous capsule, septicidally 2-valved. Seeds very small, angular, brown, reticulate.

Bracts at the branches of the inflorescence not perfoliate:-

Calyx not winged:-

Pedicels slender, at least .5 in. long, angular:-

Pedicels not enlarged below the calyx; lower leaves oblong-lanceolate or elliptic, attenuate at base, upper ovate-lanceolate; panicles many-flowered

Calyx prominently, winged, the wings broad and reticulate; stems 4-winged, the wings of the short pedicels gradually widening to those of the calyx; leaves lanceolate, acute or acuminate, sessile, up to 1.5 in. long, 6 in. broad

1. Canscora diffusa, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 103. C. Lawii, Wt. Ic. t. 1327 (1). Pladera virgata, Roxb.; Hook. Bot. Misc. iii. 88, t. 25. All Forest Districts, in ravines, on wet banks, sides of water-courses, etc., common.

A very pretty slender annual herb with pink flowers and leaflike bracts to the forks of the branches of the panicle.

2. Canscora decurrens, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 103.

N. Circars, hills of Godavari; Deccan, in hilly country, Kurnool to Coimbatore; W. Coast and W. Gháts, at low levels, often in rice-fields.

A slender erect herb with pink or sometimes white flowers.

3. Canscora pauciflora, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 103.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, in grassy places (Dalzell). A slender erect herb, scarcely separable from *C. decurrens*, at any rate in dry specimens.

- 4. Canscora sessiliflora, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 104.
  - N. Circars and Carnatic, westwards to the foot of the Madura Hills, in moist places.
  - An erect herb reaching 18 in. in height, but usually much less, the flowers rose-coloured.
- 5. Canscora decussata, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 104.
  All plains Districts and up to 3,000 ft. in the hills.
  - An erect herb reaching 20 in. in height, the flowers white.
- 6. CANSCORA PERFOLIATA, Lamk.; F. B. I. iv. 104. C. grandiflora, Wt. Ic. t. 1326.
  - W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Mysore to the Anamalais and the hills of Travancore, up to 3,500 ft., on the western side. An erect herb reaching 18 in. in height, the flowers rose-coloured.
- 7. Canscora Wallichii, C. B. Clarke, F. B. I. iv. 105. C. perfoliata, Wt. Ic. t. 1327 (2), not of Lamk.
  - Carnatic, Kambakam Drúg in Chingleput (Bourne); W. Gháts, Nilgiris to Travancore, in grass lands, up to 5,000 ft.
  - An erect herb reaching 16 in. in height, the flowers rose-

### 7. Swertia, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves usually opposite. Flowers blue lurid or white, sometimes with yellow nectaries, in terminal panicled or corymbose cymes. Calyx deeply 4—5-partite; tube 0 or very short; lobes linear or lanceolate, sometimes ovate. Corolla rotate; lobes 4—5, overlapping and twisted to the right in bud, each lobe (or the tube below it) having near the base 1 or 2 glandular nectaries naked or covered by a thin scale. Stamens 4—5 inserted at the base of the corolla, free or slightly joined in a ring; filaments linear, often dilated downwards; anthers oblong, versatile. Ovary 1-celled, the placentas slightly intruded; ovules many; style short or 0; stigma bilobed. Fruit a sessile, ovate or oblong, 2-valved capsule. Seeds usually many, small; testa reticulate.

Inflorescence elongate, paniculate:—
Corolla-lobes obtuse, sometimes apiculate, 2—3 in long, nectary a pit with fimbriate margin covered with a large ciliate scale; style 0; leaves lanceolate or linear-lanceolate, up to about 3 in long, 5 in broad

1. SWERTIA MINOR, Knobl. Bot. Cent.-Blatt lx. 321. Pleurogyne? minor, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 120. Ophelia minor, Griseb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1332.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, above 6,000 ft., in wet places on grass lands. A small erect herb with white or blue flowers, small ovate sessile leaves and flowers in leafy fastigiate panicled cymes, the nectaries with usually ciliate scales.

2. SWERTIA ANGUSTIFOLIA, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 125.

Var. pulchella, Burkill in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. (New Series) ii. 8. 375. S. pulchella, Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 125. S. affinis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 126. Ophelia elegans, Wt. Ic. t. 331.

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam to Godavari, to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri; Deccan, hills of Kurnool; W. Gháts, from the Nilgiris southwards, at 2,000—6,000 ft.

An erect herb reaching 3 ft. in height, the flowers white with blue spots. Said to afford a medicinal bitter.

3. SWERTIA TRICHOTOMA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 126.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, above 7,000 ft.

A tall leafy herb with pale blue flowers, the corolla- and long calyx-lobes prominently acuminate or caudate, the upper cymebranches often in umbels.

4. SWERTIA CORYMBOSA, Wt.; F. B. I. iv. 126. Ophelia corymbosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1329, Spic. Neilg. t. 165.

W. Gháts, hills of Mysore, Coimbatore, Nilgiris and Malabar,

above 5,000 ft.

An erect herb reaching about 20 in in height, with long branches, the flowers white or pale blue with blue nerves. Sometimes the upper pedicels are in umbels.

Var. Grisebachiana, C. B. Clarke. Ophelia Grisebachiana, Wt. Ic. t. 4330.

W. Gháts, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft. Leaves- linear-oblong, nearly spathulate when young; flowers rather larger and corolla-lobes more acuminate.

5. SWERTIA BEDDOMEI, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 127.

W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore (Beddome); Nilgiris at Sispara 6,700 ft. (Lawson, Gamble).

An erect herb with rather small flowers in a close flat-topped corymb, the leaves distichous, the calyx-lobes ovate, acute.

SWERTIA LAWII, Burkill. S. corymbosa var. Lawii, C. B. Clarke;
 F. B. I. iv. 126.

W. Gháts, Brahmagiri and Bababudan Hills of Mysore, about 4,000 ft.

A tall herb reaching 2—3 ft. high with white flowers with blue nerves.

### 8. Halenia, Borkh.

Erect herbs, annual or perennial. Leaves opposite, usually ribbed. Flowers in axillary leafy cymes, the end one often umbelliform, the whole making a lax panicle. Calyx 4—5-partite, the lobes sometimes with small glands at the base within. Corolla campanulate, 4—5-lobed, pitted near the base, within the pits produced in curved spurs which protrude between the calyx-lobes. Stamens 4—5, attached near the base of the corolla; filaments linear; anthers ovate. Ovary 1-celled; ovules many, attached to the sutures; style slender; stigmas 2, oblong or linear. Fruit a capsule, dehiscing septicidally in the upper part. Seeds ellipsoid, smooth, albuminous; embryo minute with minute cotyledons.

HALENIA PERROTTETII, Griseb.; F. B. I. iv. 130; Wt. Ill. t. 157, Ic.

t. 1334.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 6,000 ft., on the margins of sholas and in long grass.

An erect herb reaching 2—3 ft. in height with pale blue (white with purple edges, *Bourne*) flowers and ovate 5-ribbed leaves.

### 9. Limnanthemum, S. P. Gmel.

Aquatic herbs, floating or creeping; stems erect or runner-like or resembling petioles. Leaves alternate or subopposite, orbicular elliptic or ovate, deeply cordate, entire or obscurely sinuate. Flowers white or yellow, on peduncles clustered at the nodes or on the apparent petioles close below the leaf-blades. Calyx 4—7- partite, the lobes oblong or lanceolate. Corolla subrotate; tube sometimes glandular opposite the lobes; lobes 4—7, induplicate-valvate in bud, ciliate fimbriate or folded. Stamens 4—7, adnate to the corolla-tube; filaments short, anthers, hastate-oblong, versatile. Ovary 1-celled; placentas 2, parietal; style short or long; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a globose ovoid or ellipsoid capsule, indehiscent or bursting irregularly. Seeds many, discoid, smooth or tuberculate, sometimes winged, albuminous; cotyledons very small, radicle cylindric.

Stems petiole-like with a single floating leaf at the end node and there rooting; leaves orbicular, deeply cordate; flowers white, yellow towards the base within:—
Corolla-lobes entire, with a longitudinal fold down the middle and glands below it on the tube, white; seeds few, rather large with prominent small tubercles

Corolla-lobes long fimbriate, not folded down the middle, white with yellow centre; seeds very many, small, smooth, or with a few small tubercles

1. LIMNANTHEMUM CRISTATUM, Griseb.; F. B. I. iv. 131. Menyanthes cristata, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 105.

All plains Districts, in tanks and ponds and ditches, common. A rather small plant, the orbicular deeply cordate, often

purplish floating leaves up to 4 in. in diam., the pedicels short, the seeds few only, less than 10, rather large, usually about 7, the tubercles slightly glochidiate.

2. Limnanthemum indicum, Thw.; F. B. I. iv. 131.

All plains Districts, in tanks and ponds and ditches, less common.

A large plant, the orbicular floating leaves up to 12 in. in diam., the pedicels long, the seeds usually very many and small.

3. LIMNANTHEMUM PARVIFOLIUM, Griseb.; F. B. I. iv. 132.

W. Coast, backwaters at Quilon, Travancore (Wight). A delicate plant with many radical leaves and very long slender stems with small floating leaves under 1 in. in diam.; seeds not many.

4. Limnanthemum aurantiacum, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 132.

Deccan, in Mysore (Meebold); W. Coast.

A straggling plant with elongate stems bearing leaves and flowers at intervals; the minutely puberulous seeds are characteristic as well as the yellow flowers.

### Family CIII. HYDROPHYLLACEAE.

Annual or perennial herbs, rarely shrubs. Leaves radical or alternate, rarely opposite, exstipulate. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite, usually in scorpioid cymes, sometimes in spikes or racemes. Calyx inferior, 5-partite. Corolla 5-lobed, the lobes imbricate, rarely contorted. Stamens 5, inserted on the corolla-tube and alternate with its lobes; filaments filiform; anthers ovate-oblong or linear, versatile. Disk hypogynous, inconspicuous or 0. Ovary superior, 1—2-celled; ovules 2—many in each cell; styles 1 or 2; stigmas capitate. Fruit a globose or ovoid, loculicidal or septicidal, 2-valved capsule or dehiscing irregularly. Seeds minute, albumen fleshy; embryo minute.

# Hydrolea, Linn.

Herbs, rarely undershrubs. Leaves alternate, entire. Flowers blue, in short terminal racemes or cymes. Calyx 5-partite, lobes lanceolate. Corolla rotate or campanulate, 5-lobed. Stamens 5; filaments filiform, sometimes dilated at base; anthers sagittate. Ovary 2-celled, with fleshy placentas adnate to the dissepiment; ovules many; styles 2, distinct; stigmas capitate. Fruit a globose or ovoid septicidal capsule. Seeds minute, irregularly wrinkled.

HYDROLEA ZEYLANICA, Vahl; F. B. I. iv. 133; Wt. Ic. t. 601.

All plains Districts, in wet places, rice-fields and on the margins of tanks and watercourses, common.

An annual herb, rooting at the nodes, with bright blue flowers and lanceolate leaves, the calyx glandular pubescent, the capsule thin and transparent.

### Family CIV. BORAGINACEAE.

Herbs, shrubs or trees, rarely climbers, often hispid or scabrous. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite; stipules 0. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite or rarely polygamous, usually in scorpioid cymes, sometimes in 3-chotomous panicles, rarely solitary and axillary; bracts leafy, small or 0. Calyx inferior, 5— rarely 6—8-lobed, usually persistent and often accrescent in fruit. Corolla gamopetalous, usually 5-lobed, often with scales in the throat; lobes imbricate in bud, rarely twisted. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, alternate with them, on the corolla-tube; anthers ovate oblong or linear, the cells dehiscing introrsely or laterally. Ovary superior, 2-celled with 2 ovules in each cell or 4-celled with 1 ovule; style terminal or gynobasic, simple or forked; stigmas capitate or 2-lobed; ovules suberect from the inner angle of each cell. Fruit a drupe of dividing into 2—4 nutlets. Sceds erect or oblique; testa membranous; albumen fleshy or 0; embryo straight or curved; radicle superior.

Ovary entire or slightly 4-lobed; style terminal:—

Style twice bipartite; calyx with short teeth accrescent in fruit; drupe 1—4celled; albumen 0; cotyledons plicate longitudinally; trees or shrubs

1. Cordia.

connivent in a cone, the connectives produced; fruiting calyx enlarged; herbs
7. Trichodesma.
Style gynobasic; carpophore conical; nutlets glochidiate:—

## 1. Cordia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, sometimes subscandent. Leaves alternate or subopposite, petioled, entire or toothed. Flowers polygamous, & and & in dichotomous corymbose cymes or clusters; bracts 0. Calyx tubular or campanulate, accrescent in fruit; teeth short, often irregular or obscure. Corolla funnel- or salver-shaped or campanulate, usually white; lobes 4—8, spreading or reflexed, imbricate. Stamens as many as the corollalobes, adnate to the tube; the filaments often hairy at the base; anthers sagittate or hastate, usually exserted. Ovary 4-celled, ovules solitary in each cell; style terminal, simple below, then 2-partite, the branches again bipartite; stigmas capitate or clavate. Fruit an ovoid or ellipsoid drupe with viscid pulp, putamen 1—4-celled but only 1 cell usually with a fertile seed. Seeds exalbuminous; cotyledons plicate; radicle short.

Flowers white:-

Corolla small, tube hardly as long as the calyx:-

Leaves alternate or occasionally subopposite, usually with at least the basal pair of nerves opposite:—

Filaments villous at the base:-

Margins of the fruiting calyx not recurved:-

Fruiting calyx not ribbed; leaves usually without conspicuous cystoliths on the upper surface, penninerved but the lowest pair usually oppo-

site; of flowers usually larger than &; drupe ovoid:

Leaves not tomentose beneath, sometimes villous, especially in the axils of the nerves, variable in shape but usually ovate to suborbicular, shortly and obtusely acute at apex, obtuse or cuneate at base, often repand-crenate, up to 5 in. in diam., the petiole 1-5 in.; flowers moderate sized in lax cymes, usually shortly peduncled, 1—2 in.

Fruiting calyx ribbed:-

Margin of the fruiting calyx strongly recurved, the calyx ribbed, the drupe large, up to 1 in. long; leaves variable, ovate rhomboid or broadly oblong, obtuse but often abruptly apiculate at apex, cuneate at base, upper surface with white cystoliths, lower fulvous or grey-tomentose, up to 8 in. long, 4 in. broad, the petiole 2 in.; flowers in lax usually subterminal fulvous-tomentose cymes, the 3 rather larger; the calyx tubular

CORDIA OBLIQUA, Willd.; Hutch. in Kew Bull. 1918, 221; F. B. I. iv. 137, excl. var. C. Myxa, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 136, not of Linn; Wt. Ill. t. 169.

All Forest Districts, in deciduous forest, common; sometimes cultivated.

A moderate-sized deciduous tree with white flowers, leaves very variable in size, and a yellow or pink ovoid glossy berry supported by the accrescent calyx and containing a mucilaginous transparent edible pulp. Bark thick, grey or brown; wood greyish-brown, moderately hard, used for various purposes. Vern. Hind. Lasora; Ur. Gondi; Tel. Iriki, Nakkeri; Tam. Vidi; Can. Challe; Mal. Virusham.

 CORDIA WALLICHII, G. Don; Bedd. Fl. t. 245. C. obliqua, Willd., var. Wallichii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 137. C. obliqua, Wt. Ic. t. 1378.

W. Deccan and W. Gháts, in deciduous forests, often with teak. A moderate-sized tree with a useful wood.

3. CORDIA MACLEODII, Hook. f. and Th.; F. B. I. iv. 139; Brand. For. Fl. t. 41.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly deciduous forest up to 4,000 ft. A deciduous tree reaching 40 ft. in height. Bark thick, grey, corky; wood light brown, mottled, very hard and handsome, useful for furniture and other ornamental work. Vern. Hind. Dhengan; *Ur* Baurlo; *Tel.* Pedda batava.

4. Cordia domestica, Roth. C. Myxa var. domestica, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 137. C. fulvosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1380.

Kambakam Hills of Chingleput (Herb. Madras 8979).

Apparently a shrub or small tree, but well-marked by the small white-pubescent leaves, the narrow corolla-lobes, ribbed calyx and long-pointed fruit.

5. Cordia evolutior, Gamble n. comb. C. fulvosa, C. B. Clarke in F. B. I. iv. 140 with var. evolutior, not of Wt.

Deccan, Marnhalli in Mysore (Meebold); Carnatic, Melpat in

S. Arcot (Barber).

A small tree with a low spreading crown, 12—15 ft. high, usually with much fulvous tomentum, and large drupe.

6. Cordia monoica, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 58; F. B. I. iv. 137.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country chiefly, W. to the E. slopes of the Gháts.

A small tree or shrub with white flowers and a yellow fruit, the leaves variable in shape and amount of tomentum. Vern. *Tel.* Panugeri.

7. CORDIA ROTHII, ROEM. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 138; Wt. Ic. t. 1379.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry deciduous forests.

A small tree with white flowers and yellow or reddish-brown fruit. Bark grey or brownish-grey, with deep longitudinal furrows; wood hard, brown, streaked, useful for agricultural work and furniture. Vern. *Hind*. Gondi; *Tam*. Narvilli.

8. CORDIA PERROTTETII, Wt. Ic. t. 1381; F. B. I. iv. 138. Deccan, chiefly on black-cotton soil as in Bellary. A small tree.

9. CORDIA OCTANDRA, DC.; F. B. I. iv. 140. C. serrata, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 469.

Travancore, in dry forest at about 1,000 ft.

A small tree with usually 8 stamens. Bark pale brown; wood whitish-brown, soft, used for agricultural implements. Vern. Tam. Potta virasu.

Cordia Sebestena, Linn. is a small tree, occasionally found in cultivation in gardens in the plains; it is a native of the W. Indies. C. subcordata, Lamk., is also found in Madras gardens; it is a coast plant of the Andaman Islands and Malay Peninsula, also with large orangered flowers.

#### 2. Ehretia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate. Flowers small, usually white, in terminal or axillary, corymbose or panicled, cymes, rarely solitary. Calyx small, 5-partite. Corolla with a short cylindric tube; lobes 5, spreading or reflexed, imbricate. Stamens 5, inserted on the corollatube, usually exserted; filaments filiform; anthers ovate or oblong. Ovary 2-celled with 2 ovules in each cell, or 4-celled with 1 ovule; style terminal, bifid or 2-partite or styles 2; stigma small, capitate. Fruit a small sub-globose drupe with 4 1-celled or 2 2-celled or 1 4-celled pyrenes, I or more of the pyrenes or seeds frequently suppressed. Seeds straight, testa thin, albumen scanty; cotyledons oblong, small.

Style single, bifid less than half-way down; calyx-lobes small, oblong ovate or lanceolate, glabrous or pubescent:-

Leaves serrate, elliptic or ovate, acuminate, nearly glabrous, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad; flowers in subsessile fascicles on the branches of axillary or terminal panicles; calyx-lobes obtuse; drupe with 2 2-celled pyrenes without cavity

1. acuminata. Leaves entire; drupe with 4 pyrenes or less, the pyrenes with a cavity:—
Leaves usually more than 3 in. long, 2 in. broad:—

Flowers in axillary lateral or terminal lax cymes of unilateral spikes or racemes: -

Leaves unsymmetric, pale when dry, variable in shape, usually elliptic or elliptic-obovate, obtuse or obtusely acute at apex, cuneate at base, with about 7 pairs of strong main nerves, up to 8 in. long, 4.5 in. broad, Leaves symmetric, dark brown to nearly black when dry, elongate-elliptic, acuminate at apex, attenuate at base, with about 6—8 pairs of strong main nerves, up to 6 in. long, 2—3 in. broad, innovations puberulous

3. canarensis. Flowers in usually terminal, sometimes axillary, hispid-pubescent corymbose cymes; leaves elliptic or ovate, obtuse or subacute, hispid-pubescent beneath, Leaves usually less than 3 in. long, 2 in. broad; flowers in rather close

terminal or axillary corymbs:-

Leaves ovate, scabrous-pubescent, as are the branchlets and inflorescence, obtuse at apex with a small apiculus, narrowed or rounded at base, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad, the main nerves irregular, about 4 pairs; corymbs

<sup>1</sup> 1. EHRETIA ACUMINATA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 141. *E. serrata*, Roxb.; Wt. Ill. t. 170.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, at 3,000-3,500 ft. (A. W.

Lushington).

A moderate-sized tree with white flowers. Bark grey, longitudinally fissured; wood light brown, moderately hard, resembling that of the ash, useful. Vern. *Hind*. Panyan.

2. Ehretia laevis, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 55; F. B. I. iv. 141; Brand. For.

Fl. t. 42.

N. Circars and Deccan, in deciduous forests, in the hills to about

2,000 ft., more scarce in the Carnatic.

A moderate-sized or small deciduous tree with pale grey branches, white flowers in conspicuous cymes often terminal and orange-scarlet fruit turning black. Bark grey; wood greyish-white, even-grained and tough. Vern. Hind. Chamror; Ur. Mosonea; Tel. Paldatam.

3. EHRETIA CANARENSIS, Miq. in Pl. Hohenack. No. 285. E. laevis, Roxb., var. canarensis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 141. E. laevis, Wt. Ic. t. 1382; Bedd. Fl. t. 246, not of Roxb.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, up to about 3,000 ft.

A small tree with brownish-grey branches and white flowers, in small usually axillary cymes. Wood greyish or brownish-white. Vern. *Mal.* Chavandi.

4. EHRETIA ASPERA, Willd. Phyt. 4. t. 2. fig. 1; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 55. E. laevis, Roxb., var. aspera, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 142.

Carnatic, in dry places near Negapatam, west to Coimbatore, north to Vizagapatam.

A small tree with brown branches and hispid-pubescent leaves and inflorescence. Vern. Tel. Tella juvi.

5. EHRETIA OVALIFOLIA, Wt. Ic. t. 1383; F. B. I. iv. 143.
W. Gháts, E. side, from Coimbatore southwards, at le

W. Gháts, E. side, from Coimbatore southwards, at low levels. A small branching tree with pale brown branches, white flowers and red drupes.

6. EHRETIA WIGHTIANA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 143; Wt. Ic. t. 1384.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly about Courtallum. A shrub with slender pale brown branchlets and white flowers.

7. EHRETIA PUBESCENS, Benth. in Royle Ill. 306. Ehretia laevis, Roxb., var. pubescens, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 142.

Deccan, hills of Cuddapah and Nellore up to 3,000 ft., E. slopes of the Anamalais.

Apparently a shrub with stout pale brown branchlets.

8. EHRETIA MICROPHYLLA, Lamk. E. buxifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 57; F. B. I. iv. 144.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, eastwards to the slopes of the W. Gháts, southwards to S. Travancore, common in dry scrub forests.

A small shrub reaching 3—4 ft. high, with fascicled very coriaceous small leaves and a scarlet globose drupe. Vern. *Tel.* Bupana buri.

### 3. Coldenia, Linn.

Prostrate scabrid herbs. Leaves alternate, small, crisped. Flowers white or yellow, axillary, sessile or nearly so, the upper sometimes in a one-sided leafy spike. Calyx 4—5-partite; lobes lanceolate or linear. Corolla-tube short; lobes 4—5, imbricate in bud. Stamens 4—5, on the corolla-tube, included; anthers ovate. Ovary 2-celled with 2 ovules in each cell, or imperfectly 4-celled; styles 2, distinct from the base or slightly cohering upwards; stigmas capitate. Fruit a nearly dry drupe of 4 subconnate 1-seeded pyrenes. Seeds with thin testa; albumen scanty or 0; cotyledons flat.

Coldenia procumbens, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 144.

All plains Districts, on moist ground on the margins of tanks, etc., and in rice-fields, but in the dry season chiefly if not solely. A procumbent herb with trailing stems lying flat on the ground, the young parts very white-silky, the leaves obovate-oblong, crenate, up to 1.5 in. long at the main nodes, much smaller on the branchlets and very shaggy, the nerves impressed deeply; the pyrenes rounded on the back, combined in a sharp-pointed pyramid.

## 4. Rotula, Lour.

A shrub with virgate branches. Leaves small, alternate or fascicled, entire or obscurely toothed. Flowers small, few, on short lateral branchlets, between the leaves, sometimes laxly racemose; bracts 2. Calyx 5-partite; lobes lanceolate, acuminate, imbricate. Corolla-tube short, campanulate; lobes 5, oblong, imbricate in bud. Stamens 5, on the corolla-tube; anthers oblong or ovate. Ovary ovoid, 2-celled with 2 ovules or 4-celled with 1 ovule in each cell; style filiform, simple; stigma capitate. Fruit a drupe with 4 crustaceous 1-seeded pyrenes. Seeds oblong; testa membranous; albumen scarty; cotyledons ovate.

ROTULA AQUATICA, Lour.; Robins. in Philipp. J. Sc. iv. 693. Rhabdia lycioides, Mart.; F. B. I. iv. 145. Ehretia cuneata, Wt. Ic. t. 1385.

Most Districts, on the banks and rocks on the margins of rivers

and streams, often where occasionally submerged in floods. A small branching shrub, often villous, the branches rooting, the leaves small and narrow, spathulate, up to 1 in. long, often tomentose beneath, the flowers purple, the fruit red or orange.

### 5. Tournefortia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, often climbing more or less. Leaves alternate, entire. Flowers numerous, in terminal, rarely lateral or extra-axillary, dichotomous scorpioid cymes, white or greenish-yellow. Calyx of 5

ovate or lanceolate sepals. Corolla-tube usually cylindric; lobes 4 or 5, short, spreading. Stamens 4 or 5, included in the corolla-tube; filaments short; anthers oblong. Ovary 4-celled, ovule 1 in each cell, pendulous; style terminal, short and ending in a shortly 2-lobed stigma. Fruit a small ovoid scarcely fleshy drupe, separating into 2 or 4 pyrenes. Seed straight or curved, albuminous; testa thin; cotyledons oblong.

TOURNEFORTIA HEYNEANA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 145.
 W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Anamalai Hills, about 3,000 ft.
 A subscandent shrub with the flowers uniserial on the cymebranches, the corolla-tube '3 in. long.

2. Tournefortia reticosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1386; F. B. I. iv. 146.

W. Gháts, Coorg, Wynaad and hills of Travancore at 3,000—

4,500 ft.

A subscandent shrub similar to the last but the leaves more prominently reticulately nerved beneath, the drupes ovoid with 2 pyrenes, each with 2 seeds.

3. Tournefortia Wightii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 146.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 4,500 ft.

A subscandent shrub similar to the others but more pubescent and with broader leaves having less oblique nerves.

## 6. Heliotropium, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs or undershrubs, usually villous or scabrous. Leaves alternate. Flowers small, white or pale purple, in usually terminal dichotomous cymes, the branches often in long spikes or racemes and scorpioid; bracts small or 0, sometimes leafy with the cymes axillary. Calyx 5-lobed; lobes lanceolate or linear. Corolla-tube cylindric; lobes 5, imbricate or induplicate, usually spreading in flower. Stamens 5, on the corolla-tube, included; filaments short; anthers ovate or lanceolate, sometimes connected by the tips of the apiculate connectives. Ovary completely or imperfectly 4-celled; ovules solitary in each cell; style terminal, short or rather long, ending in a flat or conical disk surmounted by the entire or rarely bifid short stigma. Fruit dry, indehiscent, 2- or 4-lobed, at length splitting into 4 usually distinct nutlets. Seeds straight or curved; albumen usually scanty; cotyledons planoconvex, radicle short.

Calyx in fruit closely enveloping the nutlets, very woolly; anthers lanceolate, near the top of the tube; stigma conical or cylindric with penicillate apex;

leaves elliptic or ovate, obtuse, softly white-woolly, up to 1 in. long, the nerves impressed; nutlets usually margined, rounded and tuberculate on the back

Calvx in fruit not closely enveloping the nutlets, usually with narrow lobes:-Stamens separate, usually acuminate:-

Leaves linear or linear-spathulate or lanceolate, glabrous, fleshy, up to 1.5 in. long; stigma conical, apex bifid; nutlets glabrous, smooth on the empty cavity; stigma obtuse, above the lobed ring; leaves ovate, obtuse, narrowed or cordate at base, often unequal, undulate, usually decurrent on the long petiole, up to 4 in. long, 3—4 in. broad, hispid pubescent...5. indicum. Stamens joined together by their tips, afterwards separating and apiculate; stigma conical above the umbrella-shaped ring, stalked by the style:-Flowers in elongate racemes; erect herbs:-

Bracts small, linear; leaves linear or narrowly oblong, up to 1 in. long, ·1 in. broad; stems nearly glabrous; nutlets globose, sparingly hirsute

6. zeylanicum. Bracts rather large, lanceolate, veined; leaves linear-lanceolate, up to 1.5 in. long, 25 in. broad, softly strigose-hirsute; stems also softly hirsute; Flowers in spikes or racemes, bracteate; much-branched, low, sometimes procumbent undershrubs:-

Bracts inconspicuous; branches and leaves very white-strigose hispid; flower-spikes up to 3 in. long; leaves narrowly oblong-lanceolate, up to 6 in. long, the margins reflexed; nutlets ovoid, with minute grey hairs 8. brevifolium.

Bracts conspicuous: -

Branches stout, divaricating, covered with white appressed strigose hairs; leaves linear-oblong, also white-strigose, the margins reflexed, up to 6 in. long, 15 in. broad; flower-spikes 1-2 in. long, the bracts ovate; nutlets depressed, densely white strigose-hirsute............9. Rottleri. Branches twiggy, radiating from the rootstock, procumbent or slightly ascending, appressed hirsute; leaves ovate lanceolate or linear-lanceolate, strigosely hirsute, the margins flat, 25-75 in. long; flower-spikes very short but sometimes up to 1 in. long; nutlets subglobose, bristly, usually

1. Heliotropium subulatum, Hochst.; Duthie Fl. Gang. Pl. ii. 91. H. zeylanicum, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 148, not of Lamk.; Wt. Ic. t. 892. Tournefortia zeylanica, Wt. Ill. t. 170.

Deccan and Carnatic, often on black cotton soil.

An erect scabrous hispid annual with flowers in long usually unilateral spikes.

2. Heliotropium supinum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 149; Wt. Ic. t. 1387. Deccan and Carnatic, often on black cotton soil, also on dry ricefields and other cultivated lands.

A prostrate softly white villous annual herb, the very small flowers in short one-sided simple or branched woolly spikes. The branches are sometimes ascending (var. malabarica, C. B. Clarke).

3. Heliotropium ovalifolium, Forsk.; F. B. I. iv. 150. H. coromandelianum, Retz; Wt. Ic. t. 1388.

All plains Districts, on waste lands, fallow fields and road-sides, common.

A large erect or decumbent softly white villous herb, often with long branches from a thick root-stock. Flowers white, in long slender ebracteate pairs of spikes, the calyx persistent after the nutlets fall.

4. HELIOTROPIUM CURASSAVICUM, Linn.

Coromandel Coast, on salt backwaters as at Madras, Vizagapatam and Tuticorin, common, introduced probably from the W. Indies.

A glaucous fleshy herb with small white flowers, yellow in the

centre, in rather short pairs of unilateral spikes.

5. Heliotropium indicum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 152. *Tiaridium indicum*, Wt. Ill. t. 171.

All plains Districts, on roadsides and in waste places, common. A coarse annual herb reaching 2 ft. in height, with pale violet small flowers in long spikes, the leaves large.

6. Heliotropium zeylanicum, Lamk., Duthie Fl. Gang. Pl. ii. 93, not of F. B. I. H. paniculatum, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 151. H. linifolium,

Lehm.; Wt. Ic. t. 1391.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic.

An erect herb with stout rootstock and long twiggy branches bearing conspicuously long slender racemes of distant flowers, especially in fruit, the flowers rather large, the limb white, the tube yellow, the leaves very narrow.

7. HELIOTROPIUM BRACTEATUM, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 151. H. laxiflorum,

Roth.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, on dry rocky hills, in Cuddapah at Guramkonda up to 3,000 ft.; Kambakam Drúg in Chingleput.

A slender erect herb reaching 2 ft. in height, softly strigosely

hirsute, the racemes with rather large bracts.

8. Heliotropium brevifolium, Wall. H. strigosum var. brevifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 151.

Deccan and Carnatic, up to 5,000 ft. in hilly country.

A much-branched undershrub with narrow very white strigose leaves.

9. Heliotropium Rottleri, Lehm.; F. B. I. iv. 151; Wt. Ic. t. 1392.

Deccan, about Coimbatore, usually on black cotton soil.

A stiff undershrub, much spreading and covering many feet of surface (Wight), all parts, including the flowers, very white.

10. HELIOTROPIUM SCABRUM, Retz.; F. B. I. iv. 152; Wt. Ic. t. 1389. H.

marifolium, Retz.; F. B. I. iv. 152 in part.

All plains Districts, on sandy lands, waste places, roadsides, etc., common.

A much branched woody herb growing in tufts, the branches often procumbent, rarely ascending, flowers white, crowded among the upper leaves.

Var. Wallichii. H. marifolium var. Wallichii, C. B. Clarke, F. B. I.

iv. 152; Wt. Ic. t. 1390.

Branches more ascending and with longer spikes of flower; leaves narrower, elliptic oblong. All plains Districts, with the type.

Heliotropium peruvianum, Linn., the Cherry Pie of English gardens, is commonly found in gardens in S. India, especially in the hills, where it grows into a shrub and has fragrant lilac-blue flowers.

### 7. Trichodesma, R. Br.

Coarse erect usually hispid herbs. Leaves opposite or alternate, entire, the upper face often covered with prominent white tubercles each with a hair. Flowers solitary on axillary pedicels, but passing into terminal racemes by the gradual reduction of the floral leaves. Calyx deeply 5-lobed, enlarged in fruit; lobes triangular-lanceolate. Corollatube cylindric or campanulate; throat naked but sometimes with glandular spots; lobes 5, twisted to the left, often mucronate or apiculate. Stamens 5, on the corollatube; filaments short; anthers clongate-lanceolate, connivent in a cone, the connective produced and its tips sometimes twisted. Ovary 4-celled; ovules solitary in the cells; style slender; stigma small. Fruit pyramidal, with a central quadrangular carpophore with 4 bays each with an ovoid oblong nutlet adnate to the torus, the nutlets smooth or tuberculate, often margined and sometimes glochidiate. Seeds suborbicular or obovoid, exalbuminous; cotyledons plano-convex, fleshy; radicle short.

Calyx-lobes hastate at base; corolla-tube as long as the lobes, which are rounded and slenderly abruptly apiculate and recurved in flower; glandular spots on the throat 2 to each lobe; stamens closely connivent, densely shortly hirsute, the tips with spirally twisted hair-like points; nutlets smooth on the outer, rugosely regularly pitted on the inner face; leaves variable, lanceolate or ovate or oblong, cordate or hastate, villous and hispid, up to about 2 in. long, 5 in. broad

Calyx-lobes cordate or slightly hastate at base; corolla-tube much longer than the short cordate obtuse or apiculate lobes, not recurved in flower; glandular spots to 2 lobes only; stamens separating, the tips pointed, not twisted, shorter than the long tufted hairs of the connective; nutlets smooth on the outer face, the inner ridged in the middle and with a few pits on the margin; leaves oblong, cordate, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, prominently hispid but not villous or application.

Calyx-lobes rounded at base, softly villous; corolla-tube rather longer than the lobes, which are broadly obovate with an abrupt slender twisted apiculus, and recurved in flower, no glandular spots; stamens connivent but easily separating, densely villous on the back, the tips with spirally twisted ribbon-like points; nutlets smooth on the outer face, the inner spotted or slightly rugose; leaves oblong-lanceolate, up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, prominently hispid

1. TRICHODESMA INDICUM, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 153; Wt. Ill. t. 172.

All plains Districts by roadsides and on stony dry waste land, often on black cotton soil, common; ascending low elevations in the Hills.

An erect annual grey-villous hispid herb reaching 18 in. in height, with pale blue flowers, sometimes pink or white.

2. TRICHODESMA AMPLEXICAULE, DC.; Sedgw. in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. vi. 347, not of Roth; F. B. I. iv. 153.

Deccan, in Hyderabad, Bellary and Mysore. An erect hispid herb with broader leaves than No. 1 and not villous. Sometimes the calyx approaches that of *T. indicum*, but the corolla and stamens are those of *T. amplexicaule*. 3. Trichodesma Zeylanicum, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 154.
All dry Districts, up to 4,000 ft. in the Hills, common.
A large annual herb with light blue flowers in terminal paniculate cymes with long drooping pedicels, and many reduced leaves.

### 8. Cynoglossum, Linn.

Erect biennial or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, the radical petioled, the cauline sessile. Flowers in elongated sparingly branched or loosely paniculate racemes, purple or blue, ultimately distant; bracts 0. Calyx 5-lobed, spreading in fruit, sometimes enlarged. Corolla-tube short with 5 obtuse or emarginate scales in the throat; lobes 5 spreading, obtuse, imbricate in bud. Stamens 5, inserted on the corolla-tube, included; filaments short; anthers ovate. Ovary 4-lobed from a nearly flat receptacle; ovules horizontal, attached to the inner angle of the cell; style gynobasic from between the bases of the lobes, short or long, persistent; stigma small. Fruit a depressed pyramid of 4 nutlets adnate to a conic-based carpophore, their bases produced downwards, the outer faces convex or flattened, margined or not, glochidiate. Seeds straight or little curved; cotyledons flattened, radicle short.

Stems and branches of inflorescence softly appressed grey-pubescent, the young racemes tawny-villous; leaves thick, oblong-lanceolate, prominently nerved, the nerves joining in arches; flowers pink in bud, then blue, rather large, nearly 25 in. long; nutlets margined with a row of prickles, others on the faces...1. furcatum. Stems and branches of inflorescence with strigose villous hairs usually with bulbous bases; leaves thin, elliptic-lanceolate, the nerves distant and not prominent; flowers pale lilac or light blue, small, scarcely 15 in. long; nutlets not prominently margined, covered with glochidiate prickles

2. denticulatum var. zeylanicum.

CYNOGLOSSUM FURCATUM, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 155; Wt. Ic. t. 1395.
 W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Mysore southwards, above 4,000 ft.; Shevaroy, Kollimalai and other hills of the Carnatic.
 An erect annual reaching 3 ft. in height, with the inflorescence branching sparingly and prominently furcately in long racemes.

2. CYNOGLOSSUM DENTICULATUM, A. DC.; F. B. I. iv. 157. Var. zeylanicum, C. B. Clarke.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country, 1,000—6,000 ft.; W. Gháts, on the E. side and towards the south. An erect annual reaching about 2 ft. in height, the inflorescence with many branches in long slender racemes, the basal leaves often very long-petioled.

# 9. Paracaryum, Boiss.

Erect or decumbent biennial or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate. Flowers in elongate, sparingly branched, usually ebracteate often paniculate racemes, violet or blue. Calyx 5-lobed; spreading in fruit, not much enlarged. Corolla-tube short with 5 rather large obtuse or emarginate scales in the throat; lobes 5, spreading, obtuse, imbricate in bud. Stamens 5, inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments slender; anthers oblong, included or slightly exserted. Ovary 4-lobed from a flat receptacle;

ovules attached to the inner angle; style short or long; stigma small. Fruit a pyramid of 4 nutlets attached to a conical or columnar carpophore, their apices not or slightly produced, their bases rounded, glochidiate; margins membranous and inflexed glochidiate, enclosing the flattened slightly hispid surface. Seeds straight, margined; cotyledons flattened; radicle small.

1. PARACARYUM COELESTINUM, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 160. Echinospermum coelestinum, Wt. Ic. t. 1394.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).

An erect branching nearly glabrous herb reaching 5 ft. in height, the stems red (Cooke).

2. Paracaryum malabaricum, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 160.

Canara and Mysore (Law).

An erect stout branching tomentose herb reaching 3 ft. in height, the stems green (Cooke).

# Family CV. CONVOLVULACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, usually twining, rarely trees. Leaves alternate or in parasitic species 0; stipules 0. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite, in pedunculate axillary bracteate cymes, rarely solitary. Calyx free, often persistent, of 5 sepals which are often unequal and sometimes accrescent. Corolla campanulate or funnel-shaped or subrotate; limb entire, shortly lobed, often plicate in bud. Stamens 5, on the corolla-tube; filaments usually slender, sometimes enlarged at base; anthers linear or oblong, dorsifixed, dehiscing longitudinally. Disk usually annular. Ovary superior, 1—4-celled; ovules 2, less commonly 1 or 4, in each cell; style filiform, simple or forked; stigma capitate or 2-lobed or stigmas 2. Fruit a berry or capsule dehiscing by 2 valves or circumsciss or irregularly. Seeds 4—2, rarely 1, erect; albumen scanty or 0; cotyledons generally plaited, often 2-lobed, rarely flat, not apparent in Cuscuta; radicle next the hilum.

Erect or climbing plants with leaves, not parasitic:-

Pollen grains spinulose:—

Fruit indehiscent, woody mealy or fleshy:-

Corolla salver-shaped; stigmas 2, their lobes linear-oblong................. Rivea.

Corolla funnel-shaped; stigma biglobose:—

Sepals large, accrescent and completely enclosing the fruit...2. Stictocardia. Sepals small, ovate or oblong, not enlarging to enclose the fruit:—

Ovary 4-celled 3. Argyreia.
Ovary 2-celled 4. Lettsomia.

Corolla usually campanulate; sepals not aristate; stamens not exserted

Fruit dehiscent, or, if not, small, with thin fragile walls; style or styles

Sepals much enlarged in fruit; flowers in racemes or panicles; capsule 1-seeded, indehiscent, rarely 2-valved; style entire or 2-lobed......9. Porana. Sepals not or slightly enlarged in fruit; capsule dehiscing valvately or

Fruit dehiscent or if indehiscent thin and fragile-walled:— Stamens arising directly from the corolla-tube:—

Corolla usually salver-shaped; sepals aristate:-

Pollen grains not spinulose:-

present; leaves usually thin:-

5. Ipomaea.

circumsciss or irregularly:-Styles 2, free or partly united below:-Capsule sessile in the middle of a large flat bract.......10. Neuropeltis. Capsule not sessile on a bract: Corolla-lobes imbricate; flowers usually solitary, axillary; styles 2, quite free; stamens exserted......11. Cressa. Corolla-lobes induplicate-contorted; flowers cymose; stamens not exserted:-Capsule 4-valved; styles free, each 2-branched; stigmas on the Capsule irregularly dehiscent; styles usually partly united below, Styles entire; stigmas usually 2-lobed:-Ovary 1-celled; capsule 4-valved, 3-seeded; stigma-lobes short, oblong 14. Hewittia. Ovary 2-, sometimes 4-celled:— Outer sepals larger than inner and decurrent on the peduncle; stigma-lobes globose......15. Aniseia. Outer sepals not larger than the inner and not decurrent:-Stigma lobes elongate:-Stems twining, rarely prostrate; stigma-lobes elliptic; capsule Stigma biglobose:-Capsule 4-valved; stems not usually winged.......18. Merremia. Capsule dehiscing circumsciss or irregular; stems winged 19. Operculina. Parasitic leafless twining herbs; corolla-lobes imbricate; embryo spiral 21. Cuscuta. 1. Rivea, Chois. Erect and straggling or climbing shrubs. Leaves cordate, apiculate, more or less silky-pubescent beneath; petiole long. Flowers axillary, on 1-3- or sometimes more-flowered peduncles; bracts 2-3, narrow. Calyx of 5 ovate or oblong subequal sepals. Corolla large, white, salvershaped; tube narrow, cylindric; lobes of the limb rounded, plicate, Disk annular. Stamens included, near the middle of the tube: filaments slender, villous at the base; anthers narrow oblong; pollen grains spinulose. Ovary 4-celled with 4 ovules; style filiform; stigmas 2, linear-oblong, rugose. Fruit subglobose, dry, indehiscent or breaking up irregularly, often 1-celled by the absorption of the septa. Seeds

4 or fewer, glabrous, surrounded by mealy pulp; cotyledons much folded; radicle thick.

1. RIVEA HYPOCRATERIFORMIS, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 184.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, especially near the sea, in hedges and dry open forests. Clove-scented creeper or Midnapore creeper.

A climbing shrub with large white flowers which open at sunset and close at sunrise and are very fragrant. Bark thin, grey;

wood soft, in concentric rings.

2. RIVEA ORNATA, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 183; Wt. Ic. t. 1356.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry forests, scarce.

A climbing or straggling shrub with large white flowers, nightopening and fragrant, the fruit yellowish brown, dry, the leaves with pits on the back above the petiole.

### 2. Stictocardia, Hallier f.

Climbing shrubs. Leaves cordate, long-petioled. Flowers axillary on 1—3-flowered peduncles; bracts small, caducous. Calyx of 5 orbicular herbaceous subequal sepals, in fruit much enlarged, imbricate, mucilaginous, enclosing the fruit in an apple-like case. Corolla widely funnel-shaped, 5-lobed, the limbs plicate, nearly glabrous without. Stamens 5, included, filaments villous at base; anthers oblong, straight; pollen-grains spinulose. Ovary 4-celled, 4-ovuled; style filiform; stigma 2-globose. Fruit thin-walled, dry, indehiscent, closely enveloped in the accrescent calyx. Seeds 4, minutely villous.

STICTOCARDIA TILIAEFOLIA, Hallier f. in Engl. Jahrb. xviii. 159.

Argyreia tiliaefolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1358; F. B. I. iv. 184.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Cochin; Carnatic, near Coimbatore about 1,300 ft. (Wight, Fischer), Cumbum Hills of Madura (Beddome). A diffuse climber with large handsome rose-purple flowers, the leaves up to 5 in. in diam., apiculate, obtuse or sometimes emarginate.

# 3. Argyreia, Lour.

Climbing, sometimes erect shrubs. Leaves ovate-cordate to lanceolate, usually pubescent tomentose strigose or silky beneath. Flowers axillary, in cymes often many-flowered, often capitate; bracts usually conspicuous. Calyx of 5 herbaceous sepals, leathery and little enlarged in fruit, often red within. Corolla tubular funnel-shaped, large and showy, red or purple; limb plicate, the parts exposed in bud more or less hirsute, lobes short. Stamens 5, included; filaments often enlarged and villous at base; anthers oblong, straight; pollen-grains spinulose. Disk annular. Ovary A-celled; ovules 4; style filiform; stigma 2-globose. Fruit a dry or fleshy berry. Seeds 4 or fewer, embedded in mealy pulp.

Climbing shrubs:-

Leaves glabrous on the upper surface:-

Leaves ovate-oblong to oblong, acute at apex, rounded or cuneate at base, appressed strigose beneath, up to 8.5 in. long, 4 in. broad, the main nerves oblique; cymes few-flowered on stout peduncles; bracts narrowly oblong, ·5—·75 in. long; outer sepals ovate-oblong, inner smaller lanceolate, all Leaves broadly ovate, rounded or cordate at base:-

Sepals ovate or orbicular, obtuse:-

Sepals thick, 5-7 in. long, densely white-tomentose without; bracts ovate-lanceolate, caudate acuminate, up to 1.5 in. long, thin; leaves broadly ovate-cordate, acute at apex, densely silky-white-tomentose beneath, Sepals rather thin, subequal, 2—3 in long, with sparse strigose hairs without; bracts linear- or oblong-lanceolate, 5—1 in long, sparsely hairy; leaves broadly ovate, cordate or nearly rounded at base, acuminate at apex, up to 6 in. in diam., sparingly strigose beneath.......3. populifolia.

Sepals lanceolate, acute or acuminate:-

Sepals unequal, the 2 outer longer and often caudate, about '75 in long, the 3 inner acuminate, shorter, all sparsely stiff strigose on the back and tips; bracts linear-oblong, about 1 in. long, villous; leaves ovate or deltoid, acute or acuminate at apex, rounded truncate or cordate at base, up to 7 in. long, 4 in. broad, sparsely strigose beneath.......4. involucrata. Sepals subequal, with scarious margins, acuminate, 4 in. long, strigose on the back; bracts oblong-lanceolate or oblanceolate, 75-1.25 in. long, tawny-villous; leaves broadly ovate, usually obtuse or sometimes emarginate at apex, truncate or slightly cordate at base, densely tawny Leaves hairy on the upper surface:-

Bracts orbicular, persistent, softly pubescent, 5 in. in diam.; sepals also orbicular or broadly obovate, pubescent, the 2 inner narrower than the others; leaves broadly ovate, shortly acuminate, cordate at base with rounded lobes, 

Bracts linear or oblong:-

Sepals unequal, narrow, linear-oblong or -lanceolate:-

Two outer sepals linear-oblong, 6 in. long, inner 3 lanceolate-acuminate, 4 in. long; bracts large, tawny-silky, I-1.5 in. long, nerved; leaves ovate, shortly acute, rounded or slightly cordate at base, sparsely hispid above, densely silky beneath, up to 4 in. long, 2.5 in. broad....7. sericea. Sepals lanceolate acuminate, outer ones 6 in long, inner less; bracts narrowly oblong, very white-silky, 5—1 in long, not nerved; leaves ovate, acute, slightly cordate at base, strigose-hispid above, silky beneath, 

Sepals nearly equal, usually ovate or lanceolate:-

Sepals acuminate or acute, exposed parts strigose:—
Sepals ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, 3—4 in. long; bracts narrowly linear-oblong, sometimes subspathulate, up to 1 in. long, strigose-hirsute; leaves broadly ovate, acute, rounded or slightly cordate at base, both sides roughly but sparsely fulvous-strigose, the hairs bulbous-basal, up Sepals ovate, the outer acute, the inner obtuse, 2 in. long; bracts Sepals ovate, obtuse:-

Sepals, especially exposed parts, strigosely hirsute:—

Branchlets and leaves beneath very softly white-tomentose, upper surface more sparsely so, leaves elliptic-ovate; obtusely acute or sometimes emarginate, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad; bracts oblong, 

Erect shrubs, sometimes slightly climbing:—
Sepals 15—2 in. long, usually obtuse; leaves obovate or elliptic, obtuse or emarginate at apex, and apiculate, cuneate at base, nearly glabrous above, grey silky-villous beneath, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, nerves rather distant

- Argyreia Daltoni, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 190.
   N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in open forests.
   A large climber with red-purple corollas up to 2 in. long.
- 2. Argyreia speciosa, Sweet; F. B. I. iv. 185; Wt. Ic. t. 851.

  N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts and up to 3,000 ft.; often cultivated and found run wild near villages. The Elephant Creeper.

  A very large climbing shrub with stour white-tomentose stems.

A very large climbing shrub with stout white-tomentose stems, long-peduncled cymes, large purple corollas silky-pubescent without and a nearly dry fruit. Vern. *Hind*. Samundar-sok.

- 3. Argyreia populifolia, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 187.
  W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore.
  A rather slender climber with rose-purple corollas, slightly villous without.
- Argyreia involucrata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 187.
   N. Circars, Rampa Hills at 2,500 ft. (V. Narainswami); Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law); Shevaroy Hills (Bourne).
   A large twining shrub, the corollas pinkish-grey (Narainswami), the bracts conspicuously persistent.
- 5. Argyreia bracteata, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 188.

  Deccan, common in the Ceded Districts, up to 4,500 ft. on Horsleykonda (Gamble), hills of Salem and Coimbatore; Carnatic, outer hills of Tinnevelly.
- A climbing shrub with red-purple corollas, the large bracts conspicuous and persistent.

  6. Argyreia cymosa, Sweet; F. B. I. iv. 190; Wt. Ic. t. 839.
- N. Circars and Carnatic, in coast Districts, in hedges and low scrub.

A climbing not very shrubby plant with pale pink corollas and rather large soft fruit.

- 7. Argyreia sericea, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 188.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris to hills of Tinnevelly, scarce.
  - A large silky twiner, with pink corollas 2.5 in. long.
- Argyreia Choisyana, Wt.; F. B. I. iv. 190. Batatas Choisyana, Wt. Ic. t. 491.
  - Deccan, hills of the Ceded Districts—Kondaparthi (Wight), Cuddapah (Beddome).
  - A slender procumbent or twining herb with purple corollas 2 in. long, the upper leaves often not broader than 75 in. and oblong-lanceolate.
- 9. Arcyreia pilosa, Wt. & Arn.; F. B. I. iv. 189.
  - Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law); Ramandrug Hills of Bellary at 3,500 ft. (Gamble).
  - A large hirsute twiner with dark red or purple corollas, 2 in. long, the cymes in prominently bracteate capitate heads.
- 10. Argyreia Lawii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 190.
  - Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).
  - A slender twiner with very white silky stems and long-peduncled few-flowered cymes, the corollas 2 in. long.
- 11. Argyreia Pomacea, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 188. Rivea pomacea, Wt. Ic. t. 888.
  - W. Deccan, in the Coimbatore and Salem Districts; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys on E. slopes.
  - A large climber with purple corollas 2 in. long in lax few-
- flowered corymbs, and yellowish-brown pulpy fruit, '7 in. long.

  12. Arcyreia nellygherya, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 189. A. Leschenaultii, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 188 (?).
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 5,000 ft.
  - A large climber with, apparently, rose purple corollas, the flowers in long-peduncled corymbs, the fruit 5 in. in diam., black when dry.
- 13. ARGYREIA HIRSUTA, Arn.; F. B. I. iv. Rivea hirsuta, Wt. Ic. t.
  - W. Gháts, hills of Mysore, Nilgiris and Pulneys, at 3,000—6,000 ft., very common in Nilgiris.
  - A large shaggy climber with large flowers, the corollas 3 in. long, pale purple, darker in the centre, the fruit orange-coloured when ripe.
- 14. ARGYREIA COONOORENSIS, Smith & Ramas. in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind.
  - W. Gháts, Coonoor in Nilgiris, at 6,000 ft. (Meebold).
  - A large climber with a purple (?) corolla 2 in. long, the flowers in rather shortly and slenderly peduncled cymes.
- 15. ARGYREIA CUNEATA, Ker-Gawl.; F. B. I. iv. 191. Rivea cuneata, Wt. Ic. t. 890.
  - Deccan, in hilly country, usually at 3,000-4,500 ft.
  - A very pretty silky shrub with bright purple corollas, the cymes axillary, 3- or more-flowered, the fruit ellipsoid, pointed, yellowish-brown, dry.

16. Argyreia fulgens, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 191; Wt. Ic. t. 1357.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly,

about 3,000 ft.

A silky silvery shrub with (apparently) dark purple corollas, the cymes in axillary dichasia of about 7 flowers, the berry crustaceous, 5 in in diam.

### 4. Lettsomia, Roxb.

Climbing shrubs. Leaves alternate, rounded rhomboid or cordate at base. Flowers in axillary peduncled corymbose or capitate cymes; bracts conspicuous. Calyx of 5 orbicular elliptic or oblong sepals, in fruit often thickened and enlarged. Corolla tubular funnel-shaped, usually pink, the limb plicate; lobes small. Stamens 5, included or exserted; filaments usually enlarged and villous at base; anthers oblong or linear; pollen-grains spinulose. Disk annular. Ovary 2-celled, 4-ovuled; style filiform; stigma 2-globose. Fruit a dry indehiscent berry. Seeds 4 or fewer, embedded in mealy pulp.

Corolla under 1 in. long; stamens exserted; leaves densely white-tomentose beneath; sepals in fruit red within; fruit red:—

Corolla more than 1 in. long; stamens included; bracts deciduous; sepals in fruit brown within:—

1. Lettsomia aggregata, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 191; Wt. Ic. t. 1359. L. mysorensis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 192.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country; W. Gháts, on E. slopes

and also in S. Travancore.

An extensively climbing shrub with pink flowers and red fruit, the bracts very white and orbicular, the 2 outer sepals larger than the inner.

Var. osyrensis, C. B. Clarke, but not of Roth and Choisy. Leaves above strigose villous. Hills of the Carnatic.

2. Lettsomia bella, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 192.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Gamble).

A climbing shrub like the former species but with more spreading tomentum, the bracts smaller and oblong, and, like the sepals, covered densely with strigose hairs.

3. Lettsomia setosa, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 194; Wt. Ic. t. 1360.

N. Circars, common, especially in Godavari, less so southwards except on the lower E. slopes of the Pulney Hills (Bourne, etc.).

A large climber with pink flowers and red berry, the inside of the tough fruiting calvx brown not red.

Var. minor, C. B. Clarke. Leaves small, scarcely 2 in. long, 1 in. broad, otherwise the same. Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).

4. Lettsomia elliptica, Wt.; F. B. I. iv. 192.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country, up to 3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, in all Districts of law law law.

in all Districts at low levels and up to about 4,000 ft.

A rather bushy climber with pale purple flowers and orange fruit, very variable in the leaves and inflorescence especially as to hairiness and to the obliqueness of the nerves.

## 5. Ipomaea, Linn. (in part).

Twining or prostrate herbs, rarely shrubby or erect. Leaves alternate, entire or lobed or divided. Flowers axillary, solitary or in cymes; bracts various. Calyx of 5 equal or unequal, ovate or linear, sepals, often enlarged in fruit. Corolla campanulate or funnel-shaped, the limb plicate, very slightly lobed. Stamens 5, usually included; filaments filiform or dilated below, often unequal; anthers straight or contorted; pollen-grains spinulose. Ovary 2- (rarely 4-) celled; ovules 4, rarely 6; style filiform; stigma capitate, 2-globose. Fruit a 4—6-valved capsule, rarely indehiscent. Seeds usually 4 or 6, glabrous velvety or woolly; cotyledons crumpled, bilobed.

Leaves entire: -

Flowers in sessile or nearly sessile heads, the corolla small, 5 in. long, campanulate; bracts linear; leaves ovate-triangular, acute, apiculate, cordate at base, villous, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; seeds glabrous, minicipalities.

Flowers in pedunculate cymes or panicles:—

Sepals glabrous, sometimes slightly pubescent (Nos. 9 and 11):-

Aquatic plants, more or less, prostrate and rooting in mud at the nodes

Sepals subequal, smooth, ovate, obtuse, 2—3 in. long; corolla funnel-shaped, up to 2 in. long; leaves variable, ovate or lanceolate or triangular, hastate or cordate at base, the basal lobes usually rounded, up to 5 in. long, 3 in. or less wide, long-petioled; seeds long, slightly wrinkled, all ovate obtuse; corolla funnel-shaped, up to 2 in. long; leaves ovate-cordate or reniform, subobtuse to even deeply emarginate, up to 4 in. in diam.; seeds glabrous

Land plants, climbing:-

Slender climbers:-

Sepals obtuse, shortly apiculate, the 2 outer slightly shorter, 25 in.; corolla funnel-shaped, 1.5 in. long, the mouth suddenly widened; leaves variable, ovate-cordate with rounded basal lobes to hastate with acute lobes, acute at apex, up to 3 in. in diam. when hastate, indented at the sides and only 5-1 in. broad; seeds ·15 in., minutely tawny-velvety......8. Sepals acute, apiculate, the 2 outer shorter and slightly wrinkled, sometimes slightly pubescent, 15 in.; corolla funnel-shaped, about 1 in. long, the mouth widened; leaves broadly ovate, acuminate, deeply cordate, up to 3 in. in diam.; seeds 2 in., minutely dark brown-velvety.....9.

Stout straggling or climbing shrubs; seeds with long silky hairs:-Sepals equal, orbicular, sometimes emarginate, 2 in. long; flowers in lax panicles; corolla tubular campanulate, 6 in. long or rather longer; leaves ovate or ovate-deltoid, obtusely acute and often slightly emarginate at apex, truncate or cordate at base, up to 5 in. long, 4 in. broad, prominently about 10-nerved; capsules

ovoid, glabrous, 35 in. long; seeds black, the hairs white

10. staphylina. Sepals subequal, ovate-orbicular, sometimes emarginate, slightly puberulous, 5 in. long, enlarged in fruit; flowers in corymbose cymes; corolla campanulate, 3 in. long; leaves broadly ovate or suborbicular, acuminte, apiculate, cordate at base, up to 6 in. in diam., prominently about 14-nerved; capsules globose, glabrous, 

Leaves lobed:-

Leaves emarginately more or less deeply 2-lobed, prostrate herbs of the seashore; sepals oblong, obtuse, apiculate, the outer smaller than the inner, 3-5 in. long, glabrous; corolla tubular-funnel-shaped, up to 2.5 in. long; leaves thick, fleshy, parallel-nerved, up to 2 in. long, 3.5 in. broad; seeds with golden-

Leaves green beneath, ovate-cordate, the lobes ovate-acuminate, sparsely hairy; calyx-lobes linear or linear-lanceolate, glabrous or strigose-hispid on the base and margins, up to 1 in. long; corolla tubular funnel-shaped, up to 2 in. 

Leaves white-woolly beneath:-

Flowers in lax cymes, with stem-clasping bracts and bracteoles, the peduncles and pedicels slender, the whole inflorescence strigose-hirsute; sepals lanceolate acuminate, strongly ciliate, 5 in. long, longer in fruit; corolla funnelshaped, .75 in. long; leaves ovate cordate, from deeply lobed to entire, up to about 5 in. in diam.; seeds grey-velvety, also with few cottony hairs

14. pilosa. Flowers in long-peduncled yellow-strigose capitate heads with oblong-lanceolate bracts up to 1 in. long; sepals linear-lanceolate, subequal, fulvoushirsute, 5-75 in. long, not longer in fruit; corolla tubular funnel-shaped, 1-1.25 in. long; leaves ovate cordate, from deeply lobed to entire but always sinuate, up to 4 in. in diam.; seeds minutely puberulous.......15. Wightii.

Leaves palmatifiely 3—9- (usually 5- or 7-) lobed but variable, sometimes entire, occasionally more or less pedate:—

Flowers in pedunculate capitate heads; leaves rather small and softly hirsute, suborbicular in outline; capsule papery, glabrous; seeds softly grey-velvety, the hairs in small tufts:—

Flowers in pedunculate corymbose panicles; leaves large and glabrous, broadly ovate in outline, usually 5—7-lobed:—

Sepals orbicular, obtuse, glabrous, 3—4 in. long; corolla widely campanulate, glabrous, 2—3 in. long; leaves 4—6 in. in diam., the lobes ovate lanceolate acuminate; seeds with many long tawny cottony hairs reaching 25 in. long

Leaves digitate, of 5—7 linear or lanceolate leaflets mucronate at tip and 1.5 in. long; sepals elliptic, glabrous, 3—4 in. long, scarious on the margins; corolla campanulate, 1.5 in. long; seeds glabrous, shining, glandular, crested

Leaves pedate, sometimes only palmate or digitate:—

Leaflets toothed, the leaves small petioles with small stimulations.

Leaflets toothed, the leaves small, petioles with small stipule-like leaves at their base:—

1. IPOMAEA CALYCINA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 201. Aniseia calycina, Chois.; Wt. Ic. t. 833.

W. Gháts, Wynaad, hills of Coimbatore, at 1,000—3,000 ft. A slender twiner with pink flowers in slender few-flowered cymes.

IPOMAEA BARLERIODES, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 201.
 N. Circars, Mahendragiri in Ganjam, Madgol Hills of

Vizagapatam, at 3,000—4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Mysore and Coimbatore to Tinnevelly Hills, chiefly E. side, at about 4,000 ft. A trailing hispidly tawny hairy plant of grassy places with large

purple corolla.

3. IPOMAEA HISPIDA, Roem. & Sch. I. eriocarpa, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 204. I. sessiliflora, Roth; Wt. Ic. t. 169.

All Districts in the plains and up to 4,000 ft. in the hills, in dry

localities.

A slender twining villous plant with small pink flowers.

4. IPOMAEA RUMICIFOLIA, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 207.

Deccan and Carnatic, usually on black cotton soil.

A trailing annual herb with yellowish or white flowers.

5. IPOMAEA PILEATA, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 203; Wt. Ic. t. 1363.

W. Coast, from S. Canara to Travancore; W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Cochin, to about 2,000 ft.

A well-marked annual twining herb with bright pink corolla and conspicuous very softly long hairy involucral bracts.

6. IPOMAEA REPTANS, Poir. I. aquatica, Forsk.; F. B. I. iv. 210.

All plains Districts, on the margins of tanks and in other wet places, often floating on the surface, often planted.

An annual or biennial pretty water plant with hollow stems, pink corolla darker in the throat and few-flowered cymes. The young shoots, leaves and roots are eaten. Vern. *Hind*. Kalmi.

7. IPOMAEA REPENS, Lam. I. Beladamboe, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv.

209. I. rugosa, Choisy; Wt. Ic. t. 887.

Plains Districts, especially near the coast, trailing and rooting

in wet places, on the margins of tanks and back-waters.

A rather thick glabrous plant with purple or white flowers in rather many-flowered cymes. In Tinnevelly specimens the leaves are sometimes very large, deeply lobed both at base and apex.

8. IPOMAEA SEPIARIA, Koen.; F. B. I. iv. 209; Wt. Ic. t. 838.

All plains Districts and to some altitude in the hills, in hedges

and by tanks, especially near the coast.

A twining perennial with usually villous stems, the flowers pink with purple tube, the leaves variable, the peduncles and pedicels often thickened in fruit.

9. IPOMAEA OBSCURA, Ker-Gawl.; F. B. I. iv. 207.

All plains Districts, in grass and hedges.

A twining or trailing annual, the flowers yellow or white with a purple tube, the leaves thin, cordate, sometimes pubescent (var. gemella, C. B. Clarke), but more often glabrous.

10. IPOMAEA STAPHYLINA, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 210. I. racemosa,

Roth; Wt. Ill. t. 168.

All forest Districts from Vizianagram southwards, chiefly in hilly country and up to 4,000 ft.

A large straggling or climbing shrub with white flowers purple

in the tube.

11. IPOMAEA CAMPANULATA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 211; Wt. Ic. t. 1375.

Hills of the Deccan and E. slopes of the W. Gháts, south to
Tinnevelly and S; Travancore, up to 3,000 ft.

A large climber with white or pale rose-coloured flowers, purple in the tube.

- 12. IPOMAEA PES-CAPRAE, Sweet. I. biloba, Forsk.; F. B. I. iv. 212. Both coasts, on sandy shores and sandy river banks, common. Goat's Foot Creeper. An extensively creeping and sand-binding plant with a thick long rootstock, handsome purple-red flowers and curious bilobed leaves. Very useful in checking blown sand (see H. Cleghorn in Madr. Journ. i. t. 3). Vern. Hind. Dopate luta; Ur. Kansarinata; Mal. Schovanna.
- 13. IPOMAEA HEDERACEA, Jacq.; F. B. I. iv. 199. Deccan and Carnatic, to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts and up to 3,500 ft., probably introduced and run wild, often cultivated. A slender climber with retrorsely villous stems, flowers with blue or pink corollas and long sepals. The leaves are sometimes nearly or quite entire, ovate- or orbicular-cordate (var. integrifolia, Chois.).
- 14. Ipomaea pilosa, Sweet; F. B. I. iv. 213; Wt. Ic. t. 837. Deccan and Carnatic, from Anantapur to Tinnevelly, at the E. foot of the W. Gháts. An annual climber, very softly hirsute, the flowers rose pink.
- 15. IPOMAEA WIGHTH, Chois.; F. B. I. iv. 203; Wt. Ic. t. 1364. N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, about 3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Wynaad and Coimbatore, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, 3,000-6,000 ft. A climbing strigose undershrub with pink-purple flowers.
- 16. IPOMAEA BRACTEATA, Wt. Ic. t. 1374; F. B. I. iv. 203. W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Cochin and Travancore, up to 2.000 ft. A slender climber, typically with ovate-cordate leaves but more often with lobed ones (var. lobata, C. B. Clarke). The corollas are bluish-purple with a darker eye (Fischer).
- 17. IPOMAEA PES-TIGRIDIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 204; Wt. Ic. t. 836. All Districts from the N. Circars southwards, especially the dry ones, common on hedges and bushes. A very hairy climber with white or pink flowers and curiously lobed leaves, cut to about 5 in. from the top of the petiole,
- 18. IPOMAEA PANICULATA, R. Br. I. digitata, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 202. Deccan, probably cultivated and run wild only; W. Coast, from S. Canara to Travancore.

A large perennial climber with pink or red-purple flowers in long-peduncled corymbs of 10-20, fewer in end axils.

19. IPOMAEA KENTROCAULOS, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 213. E. and W. Coasts, scarce.

A stout climber with flowers in few-flowered cymes. 20. IPOMAEA QUINATA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 214. Hills of Coimbatore, at Tattakarai Ghát, 2,400 ft. (Fischer). A slender prostrate twiner with white or purplish flowers.

- 21. IPOMAEA DISSECTA, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 200.
  - E. Coast from Masulipatam southwards, on coast sands. A prostrate perennial herb with small white flowers.
- 22. IPOMAEA LACINIATA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 200.
  - Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law); Mahendragiri Hill in Tinnevelly.
  - A slender creeper with long-tubed large white flowers. The Tinnevelly specimens are of the form with very narrow lobes to the leaves.
- 23. IPOMAEA CAIRICA, Sweet. I. pulchella, Roth; Wt. Ic. t. 156. I. palmata, Forsk.; F. B. I. iv. 214.
  - Deccan, in various places, probably run wild; much cultivated in gardens. The Railway Creeper.
  - A beautiful climber with large purple flowers.
- 24. IPOMAEA DASYSPERMA, Jacq.; F. B. I. iv. 215; Bot. Mag. t. 8788.
  - Occasional about Madras, probably run wild or cultivated only. A slender climber with flowers yellow with a purple centre.

Besides the species enumerated, some of which are really garden plants that have apparently run wild, a few others are to be found in cultivation. I. Batatas, Poir., is the Sweet Potato, in common cultivation as a vegetable. I. Learn, Paxt., is an American species allied to I. hederacea with large dark-blue flowers turning to red, often grown on walls and trellises. I. purpurea, Roth, also resembling I. hederacea and sometimes found run wild, has large flowers with deflexed pedicels, of various shades from white to pale blue or purple and is known as "Morning Glory." I. carnea, Jacq., is a straggling, shrubby, S. American species with a rose-purple corolla, common in Madras gardens.

#### 6. Quamoclit, Moench.

Annual twining glabrous herbs. Leaves cordate and angled or lobed, sometimes pinnately divided. Flowers axillary, in few-flowered cymes; bracts small. Calyx of 5 aristate sepals, subequal or the outer rather the smaller. Corolla salver-shaped, slightly irregular, the tube slender or slightly funnel-shaped, the limb spreading. Stamens 5, much exserted; filaments unequal. Ovary glabrous, 4-celled, with 4 ovules; style rather longer than the stamens; stigma 2-globose; pollen-grains spinulose. Fruit a 4-celled 1-valved capsule, the septa thin, persistent. Seeds 4, black, pubescent or glabrous.

- QUAMOCLIT PHOENICEA, Choisy. Ipomaea coccinea, C. B. Clarke;
   F. B. I. iv. 199.
  - All plains Districts, run wild, introduced from S. America. A weak slender twiner.
- 2. Quamoclit pinnata, Boj. Ipomaea Quamoclit, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 199.
  - All plains Districts, cultivated and run wild, introduced from Tropical America.

#### 7. Calonyction, Choisy.

Large herbaceous climbers; stems often warted. Leaves large, cordate, entire or angled. Flowers solitary or in few-flowered axillary cymes; bracts caducous. Calyx of 5 herbaceous sepals, subequal or the outer smaller, usually aristate. Corolla large, glabrous, regular, salvershaped, white or rose-purple; tube narrow, long, cylindric; limb plicate. Stamens 5, exserted; pollen-grains spinulose. Ovary 2-celled, 4-ovuled: style filiform; stigma 2-globose. Fruit a 4-valved capsule. Seeds 4, dull, glabrous.

Corolla white, tube about 3 in. long; stamens exserted; seeds yellow; stout plant 1. Bona-nox. Corolla rose-purple, tube 1-2 in. long; stamens included; seeds black; slender 

1. CALONYCTION BONA-NOX, Boj. Ipomaea Bona-nox, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 197.

Most Districts, in hedges and ravines, wild and cultivated, but

perhaps not truly indigenous, Moonflower.

A large climber with large cordate long apiculate leaves and large white flowers. The flowers, which are sweet-scented, open only at night and are succeeded by a capsule with 4 yellow

2. Calonyction muricatum, G. Don. Ipomaea muricata, Jacq.; F. B. I. iv. 197.

East Coast (Wight, Shuter), probably cultivated only; Rampa

Hills of Godavari (Narayanswami).

A slender climber with cordate leaves. The purplish flowers, sometimes white streaked with pink, have thickened peduncles which are sometimes eaten.

#### 8. Lepistemon, Bl.

Climbing herbs with villous stems. Leaves cordate, often lobed. Flowers in very dense axillary cymes; bracts narrow, deciduous. Calyx of 5 subequal sepals, acute or obtuse. Corolla urceolate, the limb shortly 5-lobed. Stamens 5, included; filaments at the base arising from the backs of 5 subequal concave scales arched over the ovary; anthers ovate, pollen grains spinulose. Disk large, cupular. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2 in each cell; style very short; stigma capitate. Fruit a 4-valved capsule. Seeds glabrous.

LEPISTEMON LEIOCALYX, Stapf in Kew Bull. 1895, 113.
W. Gháts, hills of Travancore near Koni, in secondary forest

(Bourdillon); Wynaad, at Nadugani (Lawson).

A villous climber with ovate deeply cordate long acuminate leaves up to 5 in. long, 4 in. broad, and yellow flowers, the calyx-lobes with a few hairs at the base only.

#### 9. Porana, Burm.

Large climbing shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire, petioled. Flowers white blue or purple, in racemes often much panicled; bracts persistent. Calyx of 5 small sepals when in flower, when in fruit the outer or all much enlarged, spreading, prominently ribbed and nerved. Corolla campanulate or funnel-shaped, usually small, with a wide or narrow mouth; limb plicate, sub-entire or lobed. Stamens 5, usually included; filaments filiform; pollen grains not spinulose. Ovary 1- or 2-celled; ovules 2 or 4; style slender with a single 2-lobed or 2 capitate stigmas. Fruit a globose, oblong or obconic, membranous capsule, indehiscent or 2-valved. Seed 1, glabrous; cotyledons plicate.

PORANA MALABARICA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 223.

W. Gháts, from the Bababudan Hills of Mysore to the Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, up to 6,000 ft. An extensively ramified climber with slender branches, ovate-

cordate long-acuminate leaves and white flowers in lax racemes, the papery fruiting sepals elliptic, about 5 in long, 25 in broad,

with 5-7 prominent ribs and prominent reticulation.

P. paniculata, Roxb., a large species common in N. India, is occasionally cultivated in gardens. It has dense masses of white flowers which hang in festoons from its supports. It is sometimes called the Bridal Creeper. P. volubilis, Burm., a Malay species, is also common in gardens on both coasts of the Peninsula.

#### 10. Neuropeltis, Wall.

Large climbing shrubs, the shoots and inflorescence rufous-pubescent. Leaves alternate, oblong, petioled. Flowers in racemes, axillary or subpaniculate towards the ends of the branches; bract under the calyx inconspicuous in flower, much enlarged in fruit. Calyx of 5 subequal suborbicular sepals, scarcely enlarged in fruit. Corolla broadly campanulate, deeply 5-lobed, the lobes induplicate-valvate in bud. Stamens exserted or included; filaments filiform; anthers oblong. Ovary imperfectly 2-celled, 4-ovuled; styles 2, separate from the base, shortly linear; stigmas large, globose. Fruit a globose 4-valved 1-seeded capsule, sessile or shortly stalked in the middle of the flat enlarged bract. Seed globose, glabrous, albuminous, the cotyledons plicate.

NEUROPELTIS RACEMOSA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 225; Bedd. Ic. t. 291.

W. Gháts, Tambracheri Ghát in Malabar (Beddome).

A large climber with conspicuous peltate bracts in fruit, the leaves elliptic-oblong, up to 4.5 in. long, rufous-pubescent when young, afterwards nearly glabrous.

# 11. Cressa, Linn.

Small erect branching undershrubs, grey-pubescent. Leaves small, entire. Flowers small, sessile in the upper axils or in terminal spikes or clusters. Calyx of 5 subequal imbricate sepals. Corolla small, funnel-shaped, the tube short; lobes 5, ovate, imbricate in bud. Stamens 5, exserted; filaments filiform. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2 in each cell; styles 2, distinct; stigmas capitate. Fruit a 2—4-valved capsule 1—4-seeded. Seeds glabrous; cotyledons linear, plicate.

Cressa cretica, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 225.

Dry plains Districts, on sandy plains, fallow fields and black cotton soil.

A small dwarf shrub up to 15 in. high, very grey, the corolla white, the small leaves elliptic, acute.

#### 12. Evolvulus, Linn.

Small herbs or undershrubs, prostrate or erect, usually silky-pubescent. Leaves small, entire, often distichous. Flowers small, white blue or pink, solitary or in few-flowered pedunculate cymes. Calyx of 5 subequal sepals, not enlarging in fruit. Corolla rotate or funnel-shaped; limb plicate, subentire. Stamens 5, included or exserted; filaments filiform; anthers ovate or oblong. Ovary 2- rarely 1-celled; ovules 4; styles 2, distinct from the base, each cleft into 2 linear or subclavate branches, stigmatic on the inner face. Fruit a 4—2-valved capsule. Seeds 4 or 2, rarely solitary, glabrous; cotyledons twice folded.

Evolvulus alsinoides, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 220.

All plains Districts, on open ground, by roadsides and in other

dry grassy places, common.

A perennial herb with a woody root-stock and many spreading prostrate wiry branches, the flowers light blue, the leaves variable, lanceolate oblong ovate or even suborbicular, the hairiness also variable, in one form (E. hirsutus, Lamk.) fulvous-hirsute.

#### 13. Breweria, R. Br.

Herbs or undershrubs or shrubs, erect or climbing. Leaves entire. Flowers in axillary peduncled heads or terminal close panicles or 1—3 together; bracts small. Calyx of 5 equal or unequal sepals, scarcely enlarged in fruit. Corolla campanulate or funnel-shaped; limb 5-plaited or shortly and broadly lobed. Stamens included; filaments filiform, often dilated at base. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 4; styles filiform, free from the base or united to about the middle and then equally or unequally 2-lobed; stigmas capitate. Capsule globose or ovoid, 4-valved, membranous or coriaceous. Seeds normally 4, often less, glabrous or nearly so.

1. Breweria cordata, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 223. B. Roxburghii, Wt. Ic t 1370

N. Circars, forests of Godavari; W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore.

A large densely pubescent or tomentose climber with white flowers.

Breweria evolvuloides, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 224. Seddera evolvuloides, Wt. Ic. t. 1369.

Carnatic, coast region of Tinnevelly and S. Travancore.

An erect branching undershrub, with small white, usually solitary, axillary flowers.

### 14. Hewittia, W. & A.

A pubescent twining herb. Leaves ovate, cordate, entire angled or lobed. Flowers axillary, solitary or in few-flowered cymes; bracts 2, below the calyx, linear-lanceolate. Calyx of 5 unequal large sepals, the 3 outer large, ovate, decurrent, enlarged in fruit, the 2 inner smaller, lanceolate, unaltered. Corolla widely campanulate, yellow or white with a purple eye, silky pubescent without; limb plicate. Stamens 5, included; filaments linear, dilated at the base; pollen-grains smooth. Ovary with long white silky erect hairs, 1- or imperfectly 2-celled; ovules 4; style filiform; stigma of 2 ovate-oblong lobes. Fruit a globose, 4-valved, 1-celled, normally 3-seeded capsule. Seeds black, glabrous.

HEWITTIA BICOLOR, W. & A.; F. B. I. iv. 216; Wt. Ill. t. 168, Ic. t. 835.

N. Circars, Godavari; W. Coast, Malabar and Cochin.

A climber with angled or palmately lobed leaves up to about 4 in. long, a conspicuous calyx and very thin-walled capsule.

#### 15. Aniseia, Choisy.

Twining herbs. Leaves ovate or oblong, often mucronulate. Flowers axillary, solitary or in few-flowered cymes. Calyx of 5 herbaceous sepals, the 3 outer large ovate, decurrent on the peduncle, enlarged in fruit, the 2 inner lanceolate, not enlarged in fruit. Corolla widely tubular campanulate or funnel-shaped; limb subentire. Stamens 5, included; filaments filiform. Ovary 2-celled, 4-ovuled; style filiform, stigma 2-globose. Fruit a 2-celled, 4-valved capsule. Seeds 4, black, smooth.

Aniseia uniflora, Choisy; Wt. Ic. t. 850. Ipomaea uniflora, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 201.

E. Coast, near Negapatam (Wight); W. Coast, in Travancore,

margins of tanks and backwaters.

A prostrate herb, with many fibrous roots from the stems rooting in mud. Leaves long-petioled, elliptic-oblong, often emarginate and mucronate at apex, cuneate at base, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad; corolla white; calyx-lobes greenish-white.

### 16. Convolvulus, Linn.

Herbs or undershrubs, erect prostrate or twining, sometimes spinescent. Leaves entire, toothed or lobed. Flowers axillary, solitary or in few-flowered cymes; bracts usually narrow. Calyx of 5 usually subequal sepals. Corolla campanulate or funnel-shaped; limb plicate, nearly entire. Stamens included; filaments usually unequal. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 4; style filiform; stigmas 2, linear or oblong, distinct. Fruit a globose capsule, 2-celled, 4-valved or breaking irregularly. Seeds normally 4, glabrous, smooth or minutely tuberculate.

Erect undershrub, silky-villous with tawny hairs; flowers 1—3 in a lax raceme; sepals ovate, acuminate; corolla tubular, under 5 in. long, villous on parts exposed in bud, shortly 5-lobed; leaves linear, narrow, up to 2 in. long

Twining herbs:—

More or less rusty-pubescent; peduncles 1-5-flowered, sepals acuminate, pubescent; corolla small, tubular-funnel-shaped, about '5 in. broad; leaves triangularhastate or cordate, deeply lobed and toothed, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad

1. Convolvulus Rottlerianus, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 219.

Deccan, in Western Districts, Bellary to Coimbatore, in dry grass

A perennial, up to about 2-3 ft. high.

2. Convolvulus arvensis, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 219.

Deccan and hills of W. Gháts, a weed of cultivation. Bindweed. A trailing or twining herb with pink or white flowers.

3. Convolvulus flavus, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 219. C. rufescens, Choisy; Wt. Ic. t. 1365.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, hills of Coimbatore, Pulneys, at 3,000—

6.000 ft.

A climbing plant with yellowish flowers.

#### 17. Jacquemontia, Choisy.

Climbing herbs or undershrubs, usually pubescent. Leaves elliptic or cordate, entire or rarely toothed or lobed. Flowers in axillary compound umbellate or capitate cymes, rarely solitary; bracts small. Calvx of 5 equal or unequal sepals. Corolla small, tubular or funnel-shaped; limb plicate, the vertical bands ending in 2 distinct nerves. Stamens 5, included. Ovary glabrous, 2-celled; ovules 4; style filiform; stigmatic lobes 2, linear or elliptic-oblong. Fruit a globose 8-valved rarely 4-valved, 2-celled capsule. Seeds normally 4, glabrous or minutely rugose, sometimes slightly winged marginally.

TACQUEMONTIA PANICULATA, Hallier f. Convolvulus parviflorus, Vahl: F. B. I. iv. 220.

Most plains Districts and up to 3,000 ft. in the hills.

A slender climber with pink or white flowers, ovate or cordate long-acuminate leaves up to about 2.5 in. in diam., and globose capsules with 4 seeds which are trigonous, slightly winged, and often minutely rugose.

J. caerulea, Choisy, is a pretty blue-flowered climber, common in gardens in the plains. It is an introduction from S. America.

## 18. Merremia, Dennst.

Herbs or shrubs, usually climbing, sometimes erect or prostrate. Leaves alternate, entire or lobed. Flowers axillary, solitary or in cymes and usually with long peduncles. Calyx of 5 subequal sepals, various in shape. Corolla campanulate or funnel-shaped, usually white or vellow, the vertical bands defined by violet lines; limb plicate, the margin slightly lobed. Stamens 5, unequal, included or exserted; filaments filiform, often villous at the base; anthers usually twisted; pollen with longitudinal folds, not spinulose. Ovary 2-4-celled; ovules 4; style filiform; stigma 2-globose. Fruit a 4-valved capsule; 1-4-celled, the style sometimes separating with a small operculum. Seeds 4, dull, glabrous or rarely puberulous or with long hairs, cotyledons crumpled.

Corolla more or less hairy externally; seeds hairy:-

Corolla large, more than 1 in. long:-

nodes:-

 MERREMIA UMBELLATA, Hallier f. Ipomaea cymosa, Roem. & Sch.; F. B. I. iv. 211.

N. Circars, E. Ghát Hills to the Godavari, up to 4,000 ft.; Deccan, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput (leaves hastate); W. Gháts, in all Districts up to 4,000 ft.

A very variable climber as regards hairiness and shape of leaves,

the flowers white or cream-coloured.

 MERREMIA CRISPATULA, Prain. Ipomaea petaloidea, Choisy; F. B. I. iv. 212.

N. Circars, in Godavari (Gamble).

A large climber with large leaves and yellow flowers.

3. Merremia vitifolia, Hallier f. Ipomaea vitifolia, Sweet; F. B. I. iv. 213.

All plains Districts and up to 3,000 ft. in the hills, common.

A perennial twining plant with yellow flowers, globose capsules and glabrous seeds, the stems and leaves with deciduous hairs.

4. Merrenia aegyptia, Urban. Ipomaea pentaphylla, Jacq.; F. B. I. iv. 202. Batatas pentaphylla, Wt. Ic. t. 834.

N. Circars, Deccan, Carnatic and W. Coast, occasional.

An annual twining plant with white flowers, ovoid papery capsules and glabrous seeds.

 Merremia dissecta, Hallier f. Ipomaea sinuata, Ortega; F. B. I. iv. 214.

Deccan, Carnatic and W. Coast, in various places, a tropical American species now run wild.

A twining plant with glabrous or hirsute stems and pretty flowers, white or pink with a purple throat.

MERREMIA EMARGINATA, Hallier f. Ipomaea reniformis, Choisy;
 F. B. I. iv. 206.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, up to 3,000 ft. in the hills, in damp places and on black cotton soil.

A creeping and rooting herb with yellow flowers and globose small capsule.

 MERREMIA TRIDENTATA, Hallier f. Ipomaea tridentata, Roth; F. B. I. iv. 205.

All plains Districts.

A perennial herb with thick rootstock giving off many elongate prostrate slender branches, the flowers pale yellow, the capsules globose.

8. Merremia hastata, Hallier f. Ipomaea angustifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 205, not of Jacq.
East and West Coast Districts, apparently scarce inland.
A biennial twining herb with thick rootstock giving off slender

branches, the flowers creamy-yellow or white, the capsules depressed-globose.

9. Merremia chryseides, Hallier f. Ipomaea chryseides, Ker-Gawl.; F. B. I. iv. 206; Wt. Ic. t. 157.

All plains Districts and up to 3,000 ft. in the hills, common. A branched climbing herb, often with rough stems and variable leaves, the flowers yellow.

### 19. Operculina, Silva Manso.

Large climbing herbs, stems petioles and peduncles often winged. Leaves large, entire or lobed, rarely peltate. Flowers large, axillary, solitary or in few-flowered cymes; bracts oblong, deciduous. Calyx of 5 large ovate glabrous sepals, enlarging and thickening in fruit, at length splitting irregularly from the tip. Corolla funnel-shaped, rarely campanulate, the tube with 5 vertical smooth bands. Stamens 5; filaments filiform, broadening at base; anthers large, at length twisted. Ovary glabrous, 2-celled, 4-ovuled; style filiform; stigma 2-globose. Fruit a capsule, the epicarp circumscissile above the middle, the cap

carrying away the style, sometimes irregularly splitting. Seeds large, often solitary, black, smooth; radicle large.

OPERCULINA TURPETHUM, Silva Manso, Enum. Subst. Braz. 16, 49. Ipomaea Turpethum, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 212.

N. Circars, common in Godavari; Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, occasional.

A stout climber with white flowers and leaves very variable in shape, ovate or oblong, entire or lobed, truncate or cordate at base. In fruit the enlarged sepals and thickened pedicels are conspicuous.

#### 20. Erycibe, Roxb.

Scandent or rambling shrubs, rarely trees. Leaves alternate, entire, coriaceous. Flowers small, in axillary or terminal racemose or panicled cymes; bracts small, lanceolate. Calyx 5-lobed, the lobes orbicular, coriaceous, appressed to the base of the fruit. Corolla white or yellowish, subrotate, the tube villous without; lobes 5, deeply obcordate and so seemingly 10, contorted in bud, margins entire or crenate. Stamens 5, on the corolla-throat; filaments short; anthers ovate-lanceolate. Ovary 1-celled, with 4 erect ovules; style 0; stigma subglobose, 5- or 10-ridged. Fruit an ovoid or ellipsoid fleshy berry. Seed solitary, glabrous; albumen scanty, irregularly intruded between the folds of fleshy plicate cotyledons; radicle large, inferior.

- ERYCIBE PANICULATA, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 159; F. B. I. iv. 180; Wt. Ill. t. 180.
  - N. Circars, hills of Ganjam to Godavari, in forest ravines at low levels; occasional in Mysore and Malabar.
  - A large climbing shrub, the branches, inflorescence and young leaves with much rusty tomentum, the leaves dull above and not strongly reticulate beneath. Bark brown with large corky lenticels; wood soft, porous, of peculiar structure. Vern. *Ur.* Katapergu.
- ERYCIBE WIGHTIANA, Grah.; Hallier f. Bull. Herb. Boiss. v. 737.
   E. paniculata, Roxb. var. Wightiana, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 181.
   W. Coast and W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Mysore southwards, up to about 4,000 ft.

A large climbing shrub, rusty-tomentose like the preceding, the flowers very fragrant, the leaves shining above, prominently reticulate beneath.

#### 21. Cuscuta, Linn.

Leafless twining parasitic herbs, yellow or reddish. Flowers small, white or rose coloured, sessile or shortly pedicelled, solitary or in lateral

fascicles or short racemes; bracts small or 0. Calyx of 5 (or 4) subequal sepals, free or connate at the base. Corolla ovoid globose or campanulate, usually with a ring of fimbriate or lobed scales near the base or below the stamens, sometimes wanting; lobes 5 (or 4) short, imbricate. Stamens as many as the corolla lobes, inserted on or below the throat of the corolla; filaments linear; anthers oblong, exsert. Ovary more or less completely 2-celled; ovules 4; styles 1 or 2; stigmas 2. Fruit a globose or ovoid, dry or succulent capsule, circumscissile or irregularly breaking up; seeds 4-2. Seeds glabrous, albumen fleshy: embryo slender, spiral, the cotyledons obscure.

Style 1, short, stout, stigmas 2, ovoid, acute, diverging; branches stout, fleshy; Styles 2, distinct, elongate, stigmas capitate; branches filiform; capsule dry papery:-

Scales on the corolla-tube 0; sepals ovate-acuminate; corolla-lobes long-acumi-Scales on the corolla-tube below the stamens fimbriate; sepals deltoid; corolla-

1. Cuscuta reflexa, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 104; F. B. I. iv. 225.

All plains Districts and up to 6,000 ft. in the hills of the Nilgiris

and Pulneys.

A stout-branched, yellow, much intertwining plant, parasitic on many species of shrubs or trees and sometimes almost completely covering them.

2. Cuscuta Hyalina, Roth. F. B. I. iv. 226; C. arabica, Wt. Ic. t. 1371.

Deccan and Carnatic.

A very slender-stemmed parasite, recorded as growing on Amaranthus, Polygonum, Tribulus, Trianthema, etc.

3. Cuscuta Chinensis, Lamk.; F. B. I. iv. 226; Wt. Ic. t. 1373. C. hyalina, Wt. Ic. t. 1372, not of Roth.

Carnatic.

A very slender-stemmed parasite, found on Ipomaea Pescapræ and other plants, but apparently scarce.

### Family CVI. SOLANACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs erect or climbing or rarely small trees. Leaves alternate, often in unequal pairs, rarely clustered, never truly opposite, entire lobed or pinnatifid; stipules 0. Flowers regular, hermaphrodite or rarely dioecious, in terminal or lateral axillary or extra-axillary cymes or on solitary or clustered pedicels; bracts and bracteoles 0. Calyx inferior, limb usually 5-lobed or -toothed, usually persistent, often accrescent in fruit. Corolla funnel-shaped campanulate or rotate, often plicate; lobes 5, rarely 10 or the limb subentire. Stamens 5, on the corolla-tube; anthers ovate or oblong, dehiscing by apical pores or longitudinally. Ovary 2-celled or imperfectly 1- or 4-celled, rarely 3-5celled; ovules many, on prominent peltate placentas; style linear; stigma capitate or very shortly lobed. Fruit a berry or a circumsciss or valvate capsule, usually 2-celled, many-seeded. Seeds compressed discoid or subreniform; testa usually crustaceous; albumen fleshy; embryo peripheric with linear cotyledons or rarely straight.

Nicotiana.

Fruit indehiscent, a berry:-

Anthers connivent in a cone, longer than the filaments:-

Anthers dehiscing by apical pores or short slits; leaves entire lobed or pinnatifid

Pedicels solitary; corolla broadly campanulate, the lobes plicate in bud; leaves pubescent or glabrous:—

Fruit capsular:—

Flowers axillary, solitary; corolla-lobes plicate; embryo curved........4. Datura.

Flowers in terminal panicles; corolla-lobes induplicate-valvate; embryo straight

#### 1. Solanum, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs, sometimes subscandent, rarely small trees, unarmed or prickly. Leaves alternate or subopposite, entire lobed or pinnatifid. Flowers in dichotomous or racemose, lateral or terminal cymes. Calyx 5—10-lobed, rarely 4-lobed or subentire, accrescent or not in fruit. Corolla rotate, rarely campanulate; tube short; limb plicate, usually 5-lobed. Stamens 5, rarely 4 or 6, attached to the throat of the corolla; filaments short; anthers oblong, often narrowed upwards, connivent in a cone, opening by terminal pores or short slits. Ovary 2-, rarely 3—4-celled; style columnar; stigma small. Fruit a globose or elongated berry. Seeds very many, small, usually discoid; testa crustaceous, often pitted; albumen fleshy; embryo peripheric, the cotyledons linear, radicle terete.

Unarmed: -

Densely stellately tomentose; flowers in lateral or axillary though often apparently terminal cymes:—

Flowers in extra-axillary pedunculate racemose cymes; calyx-lobes linearlanceolate, acuminate, stellate-pubescent, 15—2 in. long; corolla deeply lobed, the lobes oblong, 35 in. long, recurved; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, acute at both ends, repand-sinuate, long-petioled, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. Flowers axillary, solitary or in sessile umbels, seeds angular, reticulately pitted; leaves with usually unequal pairs:-

Calyx glabrous or nearly so, entire or with reflexed protuberances outside the margin or with 5 subulate teeth, saucer-shaped in fruit; branchlets usually quadrangular, often zigzag; leaves membranous, elliptic-lanceolate, long-acuminate, up to 9 in. long, 3 in. broad, slightly Calyx pilose with 5-10 short teeth, which are usually reflexed in fruit; branchlets usually round, sometimes zigzag; leaves membranous, elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, very pilose when young, sparsely so when old, often with few prominent acute teeth 

Armed with prickles:-

Erect herbs, shrubs or small trees:-

Leaves entire, not prickly, prickles only on the stem; leaves oblong, oblanceolate, abruptly acuminate, up to 12 in. long, 4 in. broad, glabrous above when mature, densely white-stellate-tomentose beneath; flowers in dense stellatelywoolly lateral or subterminal corymbose cymes; calyx-lobes triangular; corolla pale blue-purple, small, 3 in. long; berry glabrous, 3 in. in diam.; seeds flat, minutely dotted..... .....7. giganteum,

Leaves sinuately or pinnatifidly lobed:

Lobes shallow, few:-

Corollas over 2 in. in diam., blue, the flowers in axillary umbels of 1-3 on very short peduncles, the long pedicels deflexed in fruit; stamens unequal (3 long, 2 short); leaves ovate, acute at apex, cordate at base, softly tawny pubescent, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. wide; prickles on stems, petioles and leaves few and small; berry globose, enclosed in accrescent Corollas under 2 in. in diam., the flowers in axillary or lateral racemes or corvmbose cymes:-

Flowers white; calyx not enlarging in fruit; berry globose; style

glabrous; seeds small, flat, nearly smooth:-

Berry large, 1-1.5 in. in diam., densely covered with yellowish needlelike hairs; cymes few-flowered; corolla 75 in. in diam., densely stellate-strigose without; leaves ovate or subrectangular in outline with large triangular lobes, densely fulvous stellately woolly, up to 18 in. long, 12 in. broad; prickles many, on stems, petioles and leaf-nerves

Berry small, ·3 in. in diam., smooth; cymes corymbose, many-flowered; corolla 75 in. in diam., stellate-pubescent without; leaves ovate or subrectangular in outline, acute, often cordate at base, with few large triangular lobes, softly fulvous-tomentose, up to 9 in. long, 7 in. broad; prickles very few, on stem and petioles only......10. torvum. Flowers blue; berry smooth; corolla sparsely pubescent; style stellately

villous; seeds minutely pitted:-

Racemes few-flowered; calyx-lobes lanceolate, enlarging in fruit, in wild forms often prickly; leaves ovate, few-sinuate, unequal and acute or subcordate at base, up to 6 in. long, 4 in. broad in cultivated, 4 in. long, 2 in. broad in wild forms, softly stellately-pubescent; prickles few in cultivated, many in wild form, on stem, leaves and ......11. Melongena. Racemes many-flowered; calyx-lobes triangular, often prickly, not enlarging in fruit; leaves variable, normally few-sinuately lobed but sometimes deeply lobed or pinnatifid, stellately woolly beneath, usually less so above, up to 6 in. long, 4 in. broad; prickles many, stout, curved, on stem and leaves; berry globose, 3 in. in diam.

Lobes deep, many:-12. indicum. Calyx-tube inflated in fruit, deeply cup-shaped, ultimately reflexed; flowers racemose, white or pale blue; leaves oblong-lanceolate in outline, deeply pinnatifid or twice pinnatifid, up to 8 in. long, 4 in. broad, softly

1. Solanum nigrum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 229. S. rubrum, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 344.

All Districts and at all elevations, a cosmopolitan weed of roadsides and cultivated land.

An erect annual herb.

Solanum verbascifolium, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 230; Wt. Ic. t. 1398.
 All Forest Districts, usually in ravines or shady places under big trees.

A large shrub or small tree up to 20 ft. high. Bark grey, smooth; wood soft, light yellow.

3. Solanum pubescens, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 230; Wt. Ic. t. 1402.

Deccan and Carnatic to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts in open scrub forest on arid soil, up to 3,000 ft.

A usually low, but occasionally large, shrub, up to 6 ft. high (15 ft. or more, Wight); the flowers in loose racemes.

4. Solanum vagum, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 230.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, probably at 4,000-6,000 ft.

A glabrescent shrub with white flowers.

5. Solanum laeve, Dunal; F. B. I. iv. 231. S. bigeminatum, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 231.

N. Circars, Madgol Hills of Vizagapatam at 3,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington); W. Gháts, in all Districts in evergreen forests, up to 6,000 ft.

A straggling undershrub with variable calyx-teeth, always, however, saucer-shaped in fruit.

6. Solanum denticulatum, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 231; Wt. Ic. t. 1397. Hills of the Carnatic; W. Gháts, in Nilgiris and Pulneys up to 7,000 ft., chiefly in moist places.

A shrub reaching 6 ft. in height but weak and scarcely woody. The leaves have sometimes prominent angular lobes (var. Gouakai, C. B. Clarke).

7. Solanum giganteum, Jacq.; F. B. I. iv. 233; Wt. Ic. t. 893.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam to 4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington); Deccan, in hilly country of Mysore and Coimbatore, to 5,000 ft.; W. Gháts, in almost all Districts, above 4,000 ft.

A large shrub or small tree, reaching a height of even 25 ft., easily known by the dense white stellate tomentum covering the

- whole plant except the upper surface of the leaves, the stem prickles conical, quite small. The berries are red.
- 8. Solanum Wighth, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 234; Wt. Ic. t. 841.
  - W. Cháts, E. side of Nilgiris at 4,000—6,000 ft.; hills of Coimbatore at 4,500 ft. (Fischer).
  - An erect herbaceous plant with handsome large blue flowers with angular lobes, the calyx-lobes lanceolate.
- 9. Solanum ferox, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 233; Wt. Ic. t. 1399 (var. majus). W. Gháts, in most Districts, up to 4,000 ft., but not very common. A stout straggling herbaceous plant up to 10 ft. high with very woolly stems and leaves and large orange hispid fruit. The leaves are often very large.
- 10. Solanum torvum, Swartz; F. B. I. iv. 234; Wt. Ic. t. 345. Almost all Districts, in the hills up to about 3,000 ft., in waste places and by roadsides, common. A shrub reaching about 12 ft. in height, very variable in shape
  - A shrub reaching about 12 ft. in height, very variable in shape and lobes of leaf according to climate and soil. Berries yellow, shining.
- 11. Solanum Melongena, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 235; Wt. Ill. t. 166.
  All Districts, usually in cultivation. The Egg-plant. Vern.
  Hind. Baigun, brinjal.
- A well-known vegetable, the fruits often very large and purple. Var. insanum, Prain. Solanum insanum, Willd.
- All Districts, in waste places and by roadsides, a wild form.

  A very prickly herb with smaller and more grey-pubescent stems and leaves and a globose yellow fruit under 1 in. in diam.
- 12. Solanum indicum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 234; Wt. Ic. t. 346.

  All Districts in the plains and the lower hills, chiefly by roadsides, on rubbish heaps and in similar places.
  - A branching very prickly undershrub reaching 5 ft. in height, very variable in pubescence, size and shape of leaf and length of raceme. The berries are dark yellow. Vern. *Hind*. Barhanta.
- Var. multiflora, C. B. Clarke. S. ferox var. minus, Wt. Ic. t. 1400. A large form with very stellate-tomentose leaves and long racemes with many flowers recurved in fruit. The berries are yellow, rather small and shining and long.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, about 6,000-7,000 ft.
- 13. Solanum sisymbriifolium, Lam.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, at 5,000—7,000 ft.; hills of Coimbatore. A S. American plant now run wild in many places in India.
  - A viscid undershrub, the large flowers often 1—1.5 in. in diam. in lateral racemes.
- 14. Solanum xanthocarpum, Schrad. & Wendl.; F. B. I. iv. 236. S. Jacquini, Willd.; Wt. Ic. t. 1401.
  - All Districts in the plains and low hills, a weed of roadsides and waste land.
  - A diffuse perennial conspicuous herb, the flowers often 75 in.

Solanum Trilobatum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 236; Wt. Ic. t. 854.
 N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, especially near the coast.
 A very prickly trailing or climbing undershrub.

Solanum tuberosum, Linn., is the Potato, Vern. Hind. Alu, introduced from America and largely cultivated in the hills. Besides it and S. Melongena, the Brinjal, several species of the genus are cultivated in gardens and some are found run wild. S. robustum, Wendl., a large species resembling S. ferox but with the stems winged by the decurrent leaf-bases, is found about Coonoor in the Nilgiris. It is a S. American species and has leaves and stems covered with dense golden tomentum. S. aculeatissimum, Jacq., is a very prickly Malay species found apparently run wild about Quilon in Travancore. S. Wrightii, Benth., is a Mexican shrub with large handsome purple flowers frequently found in gardens.

#### 2. Physalis, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, entire sinuate or shortly lobed. Flowers solitary, axillary, pedicelled. Calyx campanulate, 5-fid, in fruit accrescent, then inflated, membranous, loosely enclosing the berry; teeth small, connivent. Corolla campanulate, lurid yellow, often with purple spots near the base. Stamens 5, attached near the base of the corolla; anthers oblong, shorter than the filaments, dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 2-celled; ovules numerous; style linear; stigma obscurely 2-lobed. Fruit a globose berry, enveloped in the bladder-like calyx. Seeds many or few, compressed, smooth or rugose; embryo peripheric.

1. Physalis peruviana, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 238.

Hills of the Deccan and Carnatic, Bababudans, Shevaroys, Kollimalais and Sirumalais; W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, usually at 5,000—7,000 ft., in undergrowth of forests, especially plantations; introduced from America and run wild, often cultivated. Cape Gooseberry. Vern. *Hind.* Tipari.

2. Physalis minima, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 238.

All Districts, a common weed of undergrowth, roadsides and waste places.

A herbaceous annual. The glabrous form with angular fruiting calyx is var. *indica*, C. B. Clarke. *P. angulata*, Linn., seems to differ very little from it. It is only a weed of cultivated ground.

## 3. Withania, Pauq.

Unarmed shrubs, often hoary-tomentose. Leaves alternate, entire. Flowers axillary, sometimes polygamo-diœcious, fascicled or solitary, sessile or shortly pedicelled. Calyx campanulate, 5—6-toothed, accrescent and subglobose in fruit. Corolla campanulate; lobes 3—6, short,

valvate in bud. Stamens 5, attached near the base of the corolla; anthers dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 2-celled, ovules many; style linear; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a globose berry, enclosed in the enlarged calyx. Seeds very many, discoid, testa pitted; embryo peripheric.

Withania somnifera, Dun.; F. B. I. iv. 239; Wt. Ic. t. 853.

Deccan, Ceded Districts Mysore and Coimbatore, in dry localities; occasional in E. Carnatic.

An erect branching undershrub reaching 5 ft. in height, all parts minutely stellate-tomentose. Leaves broadly ovate, up to 4 in. long and little less in breadth; flowers in axillary fascicles. The seeds are sometimes used as rennet. Vern. *Hind*. Asgánd; *Tel*. Pennerugadda; *Tam*. Amkulang.

## 4. Datura, Linn.

Coarse rank shrubby herbs. Leaves large, entire, sinuate or deeply toothed. Flowers large, purple or white, solitary, erect or pendulous. Calyx long-tubular, herbaceous, 5-lobed, in fruit the upper part deciduous leaving the circumsciss base. Corolla long-tubular, funnel-shaped, the mouth wide; limb plaited, entirely or shortly 5- or 10-lobed. Stamens 5, attached near the base of the tube; filaments filiform; anthers included, linear, longitudinally dehiscing. Ovary 2- or spuriously 4-celled; style filiform; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit an ellipsoid spinescent 4-celled capsule, 4-valved or irregularly bursting near the apex. Seeds very many, compressed, rugose; embryo peripheric.

Datura fastuosa, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 242; Wt. Ic. t. 1396.

Almost all Districts, in gardens and on waste land and roadsides,

apparently wild.

A large annual somewhat succulent herb with often zigzag stems, soft leaves and subglobose capsules seated on the short persistent saucer-like calyx base. Flowers usually white but purple outside and frequently double. Vern. *Hind*. Dhatura.

Var. alba, C. B. Clarke, similar but with the flowers white, not often

double, the capsule spines sharper. Same distribution.

D. Metel, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 243, said to be the most poisonous species, is found about Madras and is at once recognized by the tomentum, the large persistent calyx and the sharp capsule-spines. D. Stramonium, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 242; Wt. Ic. t. 852, is the Thorn Apple, occasionally found in the Hill country. The large shrubby species with beautiful white flowers so commonly found in gardens in the Hills is D. arborea, Linn., and the one with orange-scarlet flowers is D. sanguinea, Ruiz. & Pav. They were both introduced from S. America.

Lycopersicum esculentum, Mill., is the Tomato, commonly culti-

vated and occasionally found run wild.

Capsicum annuum, Linn., and Capsicum frutescens, Linn., are the plants which are cultivated so extensively as Chillies. They both were originally introduced from S. America and the latter species is now frequently found run wild. For the most usual varieties see Prain, 'Bengal Plants,' p. 747 (old edn.), and Cooke, 'Fl. Bomb.,' ii. 276 (old edn.).

Nicandra physaloides, Gaertn., is a S. American plant, sometimes cultivated but often found run wild or as a weed in gardens in the Hills. It has pretty blue flowers and a dry berry enclosed in the much

enlarged heart-shaped calyx-lobes.

Nicotiana Tabacum, Linn., is the Tobacco plant, cultivated in most Districts but especially in Godavari, Kistna, Guntur and Coimbatore. The Family also contains several genera, such as Browallia, Brunsfelsia, Cestrum and Petunia, affording well-known garden ornamental plants. Cyphomandra betacea, Sendt., is the Tree Tomato, a S. American shrub cultivated for its fruit, excellent for stewing and tarts.

## Family CVII. SCROPHULARIACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, rarely trees, often semi-parasitic. Leaves all or the lower only opposite, rarely all alternate or whorled; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, usually irregular; inflorescence centripetal or composite. Calya inferior, usually persistent; lobes 5, rarely 4. Corolla hypogynous, more or less 2-lipped or sometimes personate, 4—5-lobed. Stamens usually 4, didynamous or subequal, with or without a staminode, rarely 5 or only 2; anthers various, 1- or 2-celled, the cells distinct or more or less confluent, sometimes imperfect. Disk annular cupular or glandular. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many, rarely few, in each cell; style simple; stigma capitate dilated, 2-lobed or 2-lamellate. Fruit a capsule, rarely a berry; placentas on a free central axis or attached to the margins of the valves. Seeds small, various in shape; albumen fleshy, rarely 0; embryo straight or curved.

Leaves all alternate; corolla subrotate, the tube short; large erect herbs:-Leaves, at least the lower, if not all, opposite; corolla-tube usually elongate:-Corolla spurred in front at the base; capsule opening by pores.........3. Linaria.

Corolla not spurred in front at the base; capsule opening by valves:-Corolla-lobes subequal; anthers 1-celled; capsule septicidal............4. Sutera. Corolla distinctly bilabiate:-

Stamens 4, included within the corolla-tube:-

Corolla-throat 2-lobed on the palate; anther-cells divaricate:—
Calyx 5-angled and 5-toothed; anther-cells confluent at the apex; leaves 

Corolla-throat not lobed on the palate; anther-cells distinct:-Calyx 5-partite; corolla-palate without folds; capsule both loculicidal and septicidal:-

Anther-cells stipitate:-

Stamens 4, 2 or all with one anther-cell imperfect; uppermost 

-	Stamens with all cells perfect:— Placentas separating in fruit or if joined in a column not winged seeds terete
	septa; seeds angular
	Stamens 2 perfect, the anterior pair reduced to staminodes, all inserted in the corolla-tube
	corolla-tube; capsule septicidal:— Stamens 4, all perfect:—
	Calyx-lobes broad; stout erect herbs
	Calyx winged or keeled, mouth oblique
	Corolla small, almost or quite uniform with subequal lobes; lower stamens perfect, upper 0 or reduced to staminodes:— Calyx tubular, 5-lobed; leaves opposite:—
	Anther-cells confluent; leaves narrow
	Corolla-lobes subequal, the throat bearded; stamens 4; capsule globose, septicidal
	cells distinct, equal or one imperfect or wanting; semi-parasitic herbs:—
	Corolla-tube straight or nearly so, the lobes subequal
	Corolla-tube straight or curved; anthers 1-celled25. Rhamphicarpa.
	Anthers with one cell imperfect
	imperfect

## 1. Verbascum, Linn.

Erect, tomentose or woolly, usually tall and biennial or perennial herbs. Leaves alternate, entire, sinuate or pinnatifid. Flowers usually yellow, rarely purple red or white, in simple or panicled terminal bracteate racemes or spikes. Calyx 5-lobed, usually deeply, the lobes imbricate. Corolla rotate; lobes 5, the two posterior ones outside in bud. Stamens 5; filaments all or the 3 upper bearded; anthers transverse or oblique, the cells confluent. Ovary rounded; style dilated towards the stigmatose apex. Fruit a globose oblong or ovoid septicidal capsule, the valves separating from the axis. Seeds many, rugose; embryo straight.

Viscid pubescent herbs; leaves oblong-lanceolate or oblanceolate, the upper coarsely dentate, cordate and amplexicaul at base, the lower almost pinnatified and auricled; flowers bright yellow, purple at base, the filaments with purple woolly 

1. Verbascum virgatum, With.; F. B. I. iv. 250; Wt. Ic. t. 1404-5. W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, at high levels, introduced from Europe and run wild.

A tall erect herb, reaching sometimes 6 ft. in height.

2. Verbascum Thapsus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 250.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, about Ootacamund, introduced from Europe or N. India and now rapidly spreading (Bourne). A tail handsome and conspicuous woolly herb, reaching to about

3 ft. in height.

## 2. Celsia, Linn.

Annual or biennial erect herbs. Leaves alternate, crenate sinuate dentate or pinnatifid. Flowers in terminal bracteate spikes or racemes, rarely branched. Calyx deeply 5-lobed. Corolla rotate, tube almost none; lobes 5, broad, somewhat unequal, the upper outermost in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous or subequal; filaments bearded; anthers transverse or oblique, with confluent tips. Ovary ovoid or globose, ovules many; style entire; stigma compressed, terminal. Fruit a globose or ovoid septicidal capsule; valves 2, each usually bifid. Seeds many, very small, transversely rugose.

Celsia coromandeliana, Vahl; F. B. I. 251; Wt. Ic. t. 1406. All plains Districts, chiefly as a weed on cultivated lands. An erect, grey-pubescent annual with yellow flowers in a branching racemose inflorescence, the leaves lyrate-pinnatifid at base, gradually smaller up the stem.

## 3. Linaria, Juss.

Herbs. Leaves usually opposite or whorled below, alternate above. Flowers axillary, solitary or passing into terminal racemes or spikes with the floral leaves reduced to bracts; pedicels slender. Calyx 5-partite; lobes imbricate. Corolla 2-lipped and personate, the upper lip erect, 2-lobed, the lower spreading, 3-lobed, spurred at the base. Stamens 4, didynamous, ascending; anthers with distinct parallel cells. Ovary ovoid or globose, many-ovuled; style filiform; stigma minute. Fruit an ovoid or globose 2-celled capsule, each cell or the anterior only opening by an apical pore. Seeds many, angled rugose and wingless or discoid and winged.

LINARIA RAMOSISSIMA, Wall. Pl. As. Rar. t. 153; F. B. I. iv. 251;

Wt. Ill. t. 165.

Deccan, Bellary District; Bababudan Hills of Mysore; E. slopes of Anamalais, on walls and rocks and in stony places.

A glabrous or slightly pubescent perennial prostrate here with very slender branches, variable but usually triangular-hastate lobed leaves and small yellow flowers.

## 4. Sutera, Roth.

Herbs or small shrubs, often viscid. Leaves opposite or the upper alternate, subentire pinnatifid or toothed. Flowers axillary or in simple terminal racemes; bracts small, leafy. Calyx deeply 5-lobed, lobes narrow. Corolla tubular; tube slender, cylindric, straight or curved; lobes 5, the two upper outside in bud and rather smaller than the 3 lower. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers confluent, 1-celled. Ovary with many ovules in each cell; style filiform; stigma slightly 2-lobed. Fruit an ovoid-oblong septicidal capsule, the valves bifid. Seeds many, minute, rugose.

Sutera glandulosa, Roth; F. B. I. iv. 258; Wt. Ic. t. 856.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, west to Coimbatore, south to near Madras, not common.

An annual erect branching herb with much cut pinnatifid leaves, and very small nearly white flowers.

#### 5. Mimulus, Linn.

Erect prostrate or creeping herbs. Leaves opposite. Flowers solitary, axillary. Calyx tubular, 5-angled, lobes 5, short. Corolla 2-lipped; upper lip 2-lobed, erect or reflexed; lower 3-lobed, spreading, the throat with usually a swollen 2-lobed palate. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthercells divergent, subconfluent. Ovary ovoid; style slender; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit a compressed loculicidal capsule, the valves separating from the placentiferous dissepiment. Seeds many, minute, oblong.

Mimulus orbicularis, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 259.
N. Circars, Chilka Lake, Ganjam (D. Hooper).

A prostrate creeping and rooting herb with fleshy orbicular nerveless leaves about 1 in. in diam. on thick petioles, the long-pedunculate flowers with campanulate calyx and corollas about 4 in. long apparently pale blue, the seeds minutely puncticulate in lines.

#### 6. Mazus. Lour.

Small herbs, often with runners. Leaves opposite or rosulate below, above opposite or alternate. Flowers in terminal subsecund racemes; bracts minute, bracteoles 0. Calyx campanulate, 5-lobed, the lobes leafy. Corolla 2-lipped, the tube short; upper lip 2-lobed, erect; lower much larger, spreading, 3-lobed; throat with a two-lobed palate. Stamens 4, didynamous; anther-cells divaricate. Ovary with many ovules; style short; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit a small globose or compressed loculicidal capsule, the 2 valves entire. Seeds many, very minute, rugose.

Mazus Rugosus, Lour.; F. B. I. iv. 259.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Barber); W. Gháts, in Coorg (Bourne)

and Nilgiris (Lawson, Fischer) up to 7,000 ft.

A small herb without runners, the radical leaves in rosette, obovate-spathulate, crenate, the scapes usually leafless, the flowers pale blue or white streaked with blue, the leafy calyx-lobes conspicuous.

## 7. Lindenbergia, Lehm.

Annual or perennial herbs; branches erect or straggling. Leaves opposite or the upper alternate toothed. Flowers usually yellow, axillary or passing into terminal spikes or racemes; bracts leafy, bracteoles 0. Calyx widely campanulate, 5-lobed. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric; upper lip outermost, short, 2-lobed; lower larger, 3-lobed, the palate with 2 folds. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers with separate stalked cells. Ovary with many ovules; style filiform, clavate upwards; stigma capitate. Fruit a loculicidal capsule, the 2 valves separating from the placentiferous dissepiment. Seeds very many, minute.

- Lindenbergia grandiflora, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 261; Bot. Mag. t. 7738.
  - N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,000 ft. (Gamble, Fischer), on banks in shady woods.
  - A slender glandular hairy fairly stout plant with bright yellow flowers.
- 2. LINDENBERGIA URTICAEFOLIA, Link and Otto; F. B. I. iv. 262. Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Wight), on walls and banks. A very slender glandular rather flaccid herb with yellow flowers.

## 8. Adenosma, R. Br.

Annual, villous or glandular, aromatic herbs. Leaves opposite or whorled, serrate or crenate, rugose. Flowers axillary or in leafy spikes racemes or heads; bracteoles conspicuous or 0. Calyx deeply lobed, the uppermost lobe the largest, sometimes all enlarging in fruit. Corolla 2-lipped, the tube cylindric; upper lip erect, entire or notched, outermost in bud; lower spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous; anther-cells separate, stipitate, one cell of each anterior stamen or of all stamens imperfect. Ovary with many ovules; style filiform below, dilated at the tip, winged upwards under the entire or 2-lamellate stigma. Fruit an ovoid ellipsoid or lanceolate capsule, both loculicidally and septicidally 4-valved. Seeds many, minute, scabrous-punctate, reticulate or pitted.

Flowers axillary; 3 outer sepals in fruit ovate lanceolate, reticulate, ciliate on the margins and midrib, 2 inner linear lanceolate, narrow; leaves broadly ovate, crenate, up to 1 in. long, 75 in. broad, petiole 3 in.; seeds pitted in lines

 Flowers in dense terminal heads at the ends of opposite or whorled peduncles; all the sepals lanceolate, one slightly larger, ciliate; leaves ovate to ovate-oblong, coarsely crenate, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad, petiole 0—2 in.; seeds scabrous

3. capitatum.

1. Adenosma subrepens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 263.

Travancore, at Valur, 1,000 ft. (Meebold); Malabar (Wight).

A trailing herb, rooting at the nodes, the flowers bluish-purple.

 ADENOSMA MALABARICUM, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 264. W. Coast, in Malabar (Wight). An erect herb, up to about 1 ft. high.

3. Adenosma capitatum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 264. W. Coast and W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, in rice fields. An erect herb, up to 2 ft. high, with blue flowers.

## 9. Stemodia, Linn.

Herbs, sometimes woody below, glandular-pubescent, often aromatic. Leaves opposite or sometimes whorled, serrate. Flowers axillary, solitary, passing into terminal leafy spikes or close racemes; bracts leafy; bracteoles 1 or 2, small. Calyx deeply 5-lobed; lobes narrow, equal, or the upper a little larger. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric, often villous within; upper lip 2-lobed, erect, entire or notched; lower 3-lobed, spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; filaments filiform; anther-cells distinct, stalked, all perfect. Ovary with many ovules; style filiform; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a globose or ovoid capsule; valves 2, septicidal, bifid, or valves 4, dehiscing both septicidally and loculicidally; placentas not winged. Seeds numerous, very minute, terete.

Stemodia viscosa, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 265; Wt. Ic. t. 1408.

Most plains Districts, in wet ground and rice fields.

A many-branched aromatic viscid-pubescent herb with sessile more or less oblong usually cordate and amplexicaul leaves and violet corolla.

## 10. Limnophila, R. Br.

Marsh or water plants, glabrous or pubescent, aromatic. Leaves with transparent dots, opposite or whorled, toothed or incised, or, if submerged, with capillaceo-multifid lobes. Flowers axillary, sessile or pedicelled, solitary or passing into terminal spikes or racemes; bracts leafy, bracteoles small or 0. Calvx 5-partite, the lobes subequal or the posterior larger. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric; upper lip outermost, suberect, entire or 2-lobed; lower spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anther-cells separate, stalked. Ovary with many ovules; style slender, deflexed at tip; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit an ovoid or globose capsule, often acute, dehiscing both loculicidally and septicidally, the placentiferous dissepiment separating with the valves and usually winged with the remains of the septa. Seeds many, minute, angular, truncate.

Leaves pinnately nerved, not ribbed; no whorls of pinnatifid or multifid lower leaves; calyx usually striate:-

Flowers sessile in close axillary heads; leaves opposite, elliptic or ovate, up. 3.5 in. long, petioled; calyx in fruit not striate but with a strong midrib to 

Flowers axillary, solitary or in spikes or racemes:-

Leaves all opposite, subsessile, elliptic-ovate or obovate, crenate-serrate, the serratures often crustaceously thickened, punctate, up to 1 in. long, 5 in. broad; flowers axillary, solitary or in spikes or racemes; calyx lobes lanceolate, acuminate, hirsute..... Leaves opposite or 3—4-nately whorled; flowers pedicelled; calyx-lobes

Leaves sessile, semi-amplexicaul at base, linear-oblong or lanceolate, serrulate, up to 2.5 in. long, 5 in. broad; flowers in axillary or terminal many-flowered up to 1.5 in. long, .5 in. broad; flowers usually solitary, sometimes in short 

Leaves 3-5-ribbed from the base; lower leaves usually pinnatifid or multifid;

Flowers sessile or nearly so:-

Flowers solitary, axillary:-

Leaves all opposite, none pinnatifid or multifid, ovate-oblong or elliptic, semi-amplexicaul, crenate-serrate, up to 1 in. or rather more in length and multifid; calyx-lobes glabrous, ovate, abruptly acuminate......6. heterophylla.

Flowers in terminal or axillary often divaricately branched spikes, the upper leaves opposite or whorled, linear-oblong, crenulate, up to about 1.5 in. long, the lower capillaceo-multifid; calyx-lobes ovate, acuminate.....7. polystachya.

Flowers pedicelled, the lowest leaves always capillaceo-multifid:-Stem 1—2 ft. high; corolla over ·5 in. long; upper leaves conspicuous, oblonglanceolate, serrate, sessile and semi-amplexicaul, up to 2 in. long, 5 in. broad, middle ones whorled, laciniate; calyx lobes ovate abruptly acuminate, at first Stem 3—8 in. high; corolla under 3 in. long; upper leaves frequently none, sometimes linear-oblong, up to 75 in. long, 2 in. broad, middle ones whorled, laciniate; calyx-lobes ovate, acuminate, pubescent......9. gratioloides.

1. LIMNOPHILA ROXBURGHII, G. Don; F. B. I. iv. 265. N. Circars, Rampa Hills of Godavari, at 3,000 ft. (V. Narayanswami), in wet places in shade. An aromatic annual herb, creeping and rooting at the base, the flowers blue-purple with a yellow mouth.

2. Limnophila conferta, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 266.

W. Coast Districts, in wet places, rice fields, etc., to 2,000 ft. in the W. Gháts.

A very variable erect or prostrate or floating plant, rooting at the nodes, the flowers violet-pink.

3. LIMNOPHILA GRATISSIMA, Bl.; F. B. I. iv. 268.

W. Coast Districts, in wet places, margins of ponds and backwaters; W. Gháts, Anamalais at 2,000 ft. (Fischer).

A tall glabrous plant, decumbent at base and rooting at the lower nodes, then erect; flowers purple, usually in terminal panicles of racemes with small bracts.

4. LIMNOPHILA HIRSUTA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 268.

W. Coast Districts and lower hills of W. Gháts, in wet places. A tall hirsute plant, reaching 18 in. in height, usually very hirsute, but occasionally (var. glabra, C. B. Clarke MS. from the E. Gháts) nearly glabrous and with always opposite leaves.

- Limnophila hypericifolia, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 269; Wt. Ic. t. 1409. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at 3,000—7,000 ft., in bogs and other wet places. A tall glabrous herb, reaching 2 ft. in height with rose-purple flowers.
- 6. LIMNOPHILA HETEROPHYLLA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 270. S. Canara, Mysore and Tinnevelly, apparently scarce, in rice fields and wet places. A rather tall erect herb, with leaves of all three forms, the stems often from the nodes of a long under-water horizontal stem with many capillary leaves.
- 7. Limnophila polystachya, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 269; Wt. Ic. t. 860. Carnatic, in Tanjore (Wight) and other places, in rice fields and wet places, but scarce.

A water plant, with the upper parts erect and recognized by the racemes of small white flowers in terminal panicles.

8. Limnophila racemosa, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 271; Wt. Ic. t. 861. Cyrilla aquatica, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 189.

N. Circars, Deccan and W. Coast, in rice fields and flooded land,

A water plant, often rising to 1 or 2 ft. above the surface, the flowers pale violet with reddish blotches on the lip, usually in long bracteate racemes.

9. Limnophila gratioloides, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 271.

All plains Districts, in pools, swamps and rice fields. A small much branched plant, glabrous or pubescent, smelling of turpentine, very variable, chiefly according to the amount of wetness of the locality, in mud or shallow water short and leafy, in deeper water elongate and with the capillaceo-multifid leaves developed (var. elongata, Benth.). Flowers white with a pink ring at the mouth of the corolla.

## 11. Moniera, B. Juss.

Glabrous herbs. Leaves often punctate, entire or toothed or multifid when submerged. Flowers axillary, solitary or racemose, yellow blue or white; bracteoles small or 0. Calyx 5-partite; lobes imbricate, the upper largest, the 2 innermost often very narrow. Corolla 2-lipped, tube cylindric; upper lip outside in bud, emarginate or 2-lobed, lower 3-lobed. Stamens didynamous, included; anther-cells contiguous, distinct. Ovary with many ovules in each cell; style dilated at top; stigma entire or 2-lobed, Capsule globose or ovoid, 2-grooved, valves 2 or 4 separating from the entire placentiferous dissepiment. Seeds many, minute, often striate.

Creeping herb, rooting at the nodes, the numerous branches ascending; leaves obovate-oblong, about 5 in. long, obtuse; flowers solitary, pedicelled, capsule

Erect herbs, the stems often branched; leaves linear-lanceolate, up to 125 in. long, acute; capsule globose:-

Flowers solitary in the leaf axils, sessile; placentas separating, winged

2. Hamiltoniana.

Flowers 1-3 together in the axils, pedicelled; placentas combined, not winged 3. floribunda.

- 1. Moniera cuneifolia, Michx. Herpestis Monnieria, H. B. & K.; F. B. I. iv. 272. Gratiola Monniera, Linn.; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 178. All plains Districts, and in the hills to about 4,000 ft., in wet places, even in saltish water. A somewhat succulent creeping herb with blue flowers.
- 2. Moniera Hamiltoniana, T. Cooke. Herpestis Hamiltoniana, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 272.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Cochin, in wet places.

An erect rather thick herb, the stems terete, the flowers pink.

3. Moniera floribunda, T. Cooke. Herpestis floribunda, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 273. Carnatic, in Nellore and Chingleput; S. Canara (Hohenacker).

An erect slender herb with subquadrangular stems and white corolla having purplish stripes on the upper lip (Fischer).

## 12. Dopatrium, Buch. -Ham.

Annual slender glabrous marsh herbs. Leaves few, opposite, the lower pairs small, the upper minute, remote. Flowers small, solitary, axillary, violet; bracteoles 0. Calyx small, 5-partite, lobes narrow, imbricate. Corolla 2-lipped; tube slender, dilated to a broad throat; upper lip outside in bud, 2-lipped; lower 3-lobed, spreading. Stamens 2 upper perfect; filaments filiform; anthers with parallel distinct equal cells; lower pair reduced to minute staminodes. Ovary with many ovules; style short; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit a small globose or oblong capsule, opening loculicidally, the valves placentiferous. Seeds many, very small, reticulately pitted or tuberculate.

Capsule linear-oblong, the fruiting pedicel deflexed; stem usually branched from the base, the many slender branches erect, up to about 6 in. high, the radical leaves few, subrosulate, obovate, at most 5 in. long, the cauline minute, linear; Capsule globose:-

Fruiting pedicels 0 or under 5 in. and capillary, erect; stems much branched from the base with fleshy erect branches up to 12 in. high, the radical leaves lower leaves obovate-oblong or spathulate, up to 2 in. long, 5 in. broad, cauline 

I. DOPATRIUM NUDICAULE, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 274. Carnatic, Nellore to Tinnevelly, on damp ground near the coast. A slender erect herb.

- 2. Dopatrium junceum, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 274.

  All plains Districts and up to 4,000 ft. in the hills, in wet places, ponds and rice fields.

  An erect very slender fleshy herb with pink flowers.
- 3. Dopatrium lobelioides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 274; Wt. Ic. t. 859. Carnatic, near Madras, in tanks and wet places.

  A rather tall slender fleshy herb with comparatively large flowers.

## 13. Artanema, D. Don.

Erect herbs, the stems tetragonal, scabrid on the angles. Leaves opposite, entire or serrate. Flowers large, blue or purple, in terminal bracteate but ebracteolate racemes, the bracts foliaceous. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes broad, imbricate, acuminate. Corolla 2-lipped; tube broad; upper lip erect, broad, emarginate, lower 3-lobed, spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, perfect, the 2 upper with short filaments included in the tube, the 2 lower with long arched filaments broadly appendiculate at the base, arching to become connivent under the upper lip; anther-cells connivent at their tips. Ovary many-ovuled; style slender; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit a globose capsule, dehiscing septicidally, the valves separating from the broadly-winged placentiferous axis. Seeds many, small, truncate, papillose.

ARTANEMA SESAMOIDES, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 274; Wt. Ic. t. 1410. W. Coast, in Malabar and Travancore, rising to about 3,000 ft. in the Wynaad and Coorg.

A stout erect herb or undershrub, 2—3 ft. high, with large violetpurple flowers and lanceolate-acuminate usually serrate leaves up to 4 in. long.

## 14. Torenia, Linn.

Herbs, glabrous or pubescent, usually trailing and rooting. Leaves opposite, entire crenate or serrate. Flowers axillary or in terminal or pseudo-axillary umbels or racemes; bracteoles 0. Calyx usually 2-lipped, oblique at the mouth, 3—5-lobed, the back of the lobes or of some of them winged or keeled. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric, somewhat curved, dilated upwards; the upper outer lip erect, concave, notched or 2-fid, the lower larger, 3-lobed, spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, the 2 upper included, the two lower arched to meet under the upper lip, often with appendages about the middle; anthers connate in pairs. Ovary with many ovules; style slender; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit a linear or oblong septicidal capsule, the valves separating from the placentiferous dissepiment which is often winged. Seeds many, rugose or cancellate.

Calyx, especially in fruit, rather broadly winged:—
Calyx and corolla both small, together under ·7 in. long:—
Calyx broadly ovoid with ciliate wings; pedicels slender, ·5—1 in. long; lower filaments without appendages; leaves ovate, acute, sharply serrate, cuneate or sub-cordate at base, up to 1·25 in. long, petiole ·25—·5 in. long

Calyx narrowly oblong with ciliate wings; pedicels slender, 1—2 in. long; lower filaments with clavate appendages; leaves triangular-ovate, acute, crenate-serrate, obtuse at base, up to 1.5 in. long, petiole ·1—·2 in. long

2. courtallensis.

Calyx and corolla both long, the calyx narrowly oblong, especially in fruit, not ciliate, 7—1 in. long, the lobes acuminate, decurrent at base; corolla up to 1.25 in. long; lower filaments with subulate appendages; pedicels up to nearly 2 in. long, thick and usually deflexed in fruit; leaves ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, obtuse at base, serrate, up to 2 in. long, petiole 1—5 in. long

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Calyx in fruit not strongly keeled, hirsute:-

1. Torenia cordifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 161; F. B. I. iv. 276.

N. Circars, on Mahendragiri Hill, Ganjam (Fischer); W. Gháts, Carcoor Ghát in Malabar (Beddome).

A low erect trichotomously branching herb up to 10 in. high, the stems and branches tetragonous; corolla small, pale bluish purple.

2. Torenia courtallensis, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1923, ined. T. cordifolia, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 276 in note by Sir J. D. Hooker.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Madura, Tinnevelly and

Travancore, at about 4,000 ft.

A trailing herb with long decumbent stems and long pedicels; flowers lilac, the lower lip mottled with purple (Blatter and Hallberg).

3. Torenia travancorica, Gamble n. comb. T. asiatica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 277 in part; Wt. Ic. t. 862; Bot. Mag. t. 4249.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly.

A creeping annual herb with large flowers, white with blue blotches on the lobes of the lower lip.

4. Torenia vagans, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 277. T. hirtella, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 277 in part.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, especially on the E. side, at 5,000-6,000 ft.

(Clarke, Gamble).

A diffuse trailing and rooting herb with pale blue corolla having darker blotches on the lobes of the lower lip. 5. Torenia bicolor, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 278.

W. Gháts and W. Coast from S. Canara to Travancore, up to 2.000 ft.

A small trailing and rooting herb with small leaves and the corolla with dark blue or violet upper and white lower lip. It might be the "Kaka-pu" of Rheede Hort. Mal. ix. t. 53.

 Torenia Hirsuta, Benth.; Bot. Mag. t. 5167. T. asiatica var. hirsuta, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 277.

W. Gháts, in most Districts, but especially W. Nilgiris, at 3,000 —6.000 ft.

A rather stout hirsute diffuse herb with handsome flowers, white on the mid-lobe of the lower lip, deep blue on the side lobes, pale blue on the upper lip.

Torenia parviflora, Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 278.
 N. Circars, Bison Hills, Godavari (Barber).

A small decumbent annual up to 8 in. in height, with blue pedicellate flowers clustered in the upper axils.

Torenia Fournieri, Linden. is an introduction from Cochin China, which is frequently grown in gardens for its showy flowers of a pale blue with bright purple blotches on the lobes of the lower lip and yellow in the throat and tube (Bot. Mag. t. 6747).

#### 15. Vandellia, Linn.

Herbs, usually annual, glabrous or pubescent. Leaves opposite, often toothed. Flowers small, axillary or racemose; bracteoles 0. Calyx campanulate, not winged, cleft in 5 lobes, sometimes to the base. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric; upper lip outer, erect, notched or bifid, lower 3-lobed spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, the 2 upper on the corolla throat, usually included, the 2 lower with arched filaments having a subulate or rounded appendage towards the base; anthers cohering in pairs, the cells divaricate. Ovary with many ovules; style slender; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit a globose ovoid or linear septicidal capsule, the valves separating from the placentiferous septum, which is usually more or less winged. Seeds many, rugose.

Leaves pinnately nerved:-

Capsule about equalling the calyx; placentiferous dissepiment broadly winged:—Calyx not divided below the middle, lobes acute, glabrous except the prominent rib; flowers pedicelled, axillary or subracemose at the ends of the branches; filaments of lower stamens with subulate appendages; leaves suborbicular ovate or lanceolate, shortly serrate, up to .75 in. long; petiole about .1—3 in. long

Calyx divided to the base or near it, the lobes strigosely white hispid; filaments of lower stamens with rounded appendages:—

Diffuse herb, many-branched, with axillary flowers solitary or in pairs; leaves ovate or ovate-cordate, entire or serrate, about '5 in. long, subsessile

3. scabra.

Capsule longer than the calyx; placentiferous dissepiment narrowly winged:-Calyx not divided to the base in flower, scarcely so in fruit; capsule ellipsoid:— Erect simple or little-branched herb with suborbicular, shortly serrate leaves up to 75 in long and broad, nearly sessile; pedicels very slender

nummularifolia. Much branching low herb with ovate-cordate or suborbicular, crenate-serrate leaves 7—1 in. in diam. nearly sessile; pedicels none, the flowers 

Calyx divided to the base in narrow linear-lanceolate lobes; narrowly oblong; capsule ·3—·5 in. long; pedicels usually axillary, deflexed in fruit; leaves ovate, obtuse or subacute, obscurely crenate-serrate, up to 1 in. long, petiole 

Leaves with 3—5 ribs from the base, sessile, elliptic, obtuse, up to 75 in long; calyx divided to the base, shorter than the ovoid capsule, whose placentiferous dissepiment is tufted at top, but scarcely winged, the calyx-lobes linear, hispid at tip; pedicels solitary, axillary, filiform, longer than the leaves; staminal appen-

1. VANDELLIA CRUSTACEA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 279; Wt. Ic. t. 863. All plains Districts, usually in wet places or rice fields, often in gardens. A glabrous or pubescent annual herb, branching diffusely and

rooting, the corolla purplish or white.

Vandellia hirsuta, Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 280.
 W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, in fields.

A pubescent erect herb, with pale violet corolla and globose capsule.

3. VANDELLIA SCABRA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 281.

W. Deccan, W. Gháts and W. Coast, up to 4,000 ft., in rice fields,

A diffuse herb with corolla having the lower lip white and the upper one brown (Lawson).

Var. laxa Hook. f. Much elongate and very slender, the leaves so reduced that the inflorescence becomes a raceme; lower leaves rather larger. Without locality (Wight); Guindy (Lawson).

- 4. Vandellia nummularifolia, D. Don.; F. B. I. iv. 282. Hills of Coimbatore, at Minchiguli, 4,800 ft. (Fischer); Nilgiris, at Naduvatum, 6,000 ft. (Lawson). A small herb with red-purple corolla.
- 5. Vandellia sessilifolia, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 282. W. Gháts, Nilgiri, Anamalai and Pulney Hills at 2,000-6,000 ft. (Lawson, Fischer). An erect herb with close clusters of sessile flowers, often cleistogamic (Lawson).
- 6. VANDELLIA PEDUNCULATA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 282. N. Circars, on the Godavari (Bourne); W. Gháts, in the Anamalai and Pulney Hills, up to 2,000 ft.; W. Coast, in Travancore, in rice fields and other wet places.

A creeping herb with long branches rooting at the lower nodes, the corolla white with a pale violet margin or pale blue with a

white spot.

7. Vandellia Pyxidaria, Maxim. V. erecta, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 281. N. Circars in the Upper Godavari (Gamble); Gazalhati Pass,

N. Coimbatore (Wight).

- A slender divaricatingly branched herb with small apparently white flowers.
- 16. Ilysanthes, Rafin. (including Bonnaya, Link and Otto).

Annual glabrous herbs, usually of marshes. Leaves opposite, entire or toothed, ribbed from the base or penninerved. Flowers small, axillary and solitary or in terminal racemes, bracteate, not bracteolate. peduncles often deflexed in fruit. Calyx 5-lobed, usually deeply, the lobes narrow. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric, or widening above; upper lip outside, broad, usually shortly bifid, lower spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 2, upper alone perfect, subincluded; lower reduced to 1-2lobed often glandular hairy staminodes. Ovary with many ovules; style slender; stigma 2-lamellate. Fruit an ovoid oblong or linear septicidal capsule, the valves entire, separating from the placentiferous septum. Seeds numerous, rugose.

Leaves with 3-5 ribs from the base; staminodes usually bilobed; capsule ovate or shortly oblong:-

Erect herbs, 4-18 in. in height:-

Corolla rather large, 3—5 in. long or longer, glandular-hairy within; lower leaves oblong or oblong-lanceolate up to .75 in. long, upper linear smaller; flowers solitary, axillary, the pedicels filiform, up to 1 in. long, deflexed in to 1 in. long, upper smaller; flowers solitary axillary or in slender terminal racemes, the pedicels filiform, up to .75 in. long; capsule ovoid-oblong up to 

Erect minute herbs with single stems under 3 in. high; corolla 2-3 in. long. the lobes broadly spreading; leaves ovate- or elliptic-oblong, under 25 in. long, or slightly dentate; pedicels very short; capsule globose...........4. rotundifolia.

Leaves penninerved; staminodes entire; capsule narrow, linear:-

Leaves sharply deeply and closely serrate:

Erect, diffusely branched; leaves sessile, oblong, obtuse or subacute, glabrous, spinous-serrate, up to 1 in. long, 5 in. broad; flowers in lax terminal racemes with subulate bracts, pedicelled; capsules narrowly linear-oblong, 5 in. long

Prostrate, creeping and rooting at the nodes; leaves petioled, elliptic-oblong, rounded at apex, finely serrate, up to 2 in. long, 75 in. broad; flowers in axillary and terminal racemes with narrow lanceolate bracts; capsules very 

Leaves distantly and shallowly serrate:-

Stems decumbent at base, rooting at the nodes, the branches ascending; leaves oblong obovate-lanceolate or oblanceolate, up to 1.5 in. long, 4 in. broad, broadly petioled to sessile; flowers in terminal and axillary racemes with linear-lanceolate bracts, sometimes solitary; capsules up to 5 in. long

Stems erect, short, much-branched; leaves linear-oblong, shortly and distantly serrate, up to I in. long, 15 in. broad, sessile; flowers in leafy terminal or axillary racemes, the bracts setaceous; capsules up to 4 in. long

8. oppositifolia.

Leaves entire or very nearly so, linear, up to 1.5 in. long and very narrow, scarcely over 1 in. broad, sessile; flowers in slender racemes terminal or axillary, sometimes solitary, the slender pedicels deflexed, bracts subulate; capsules very slender, up to 5 in. long.....

1. Ilysanthes hyssopioides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 283; Wt. Ic. t. 857. Most Districts, in wet places, especially rice fields, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills.

A straggling slender herb reaching 18 in. in height, the flowers pale blue or white with darker markings, sometimes nearly in. long, the staminodes large and clavate, obscurely bilobed, glandular.

2. ILYSANTHES PARVIFLORA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 283. Gratiola parviflora, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 203.

Most Districts in the plains, in wet places.

An erect branching herb, smaller than the last and with smaller blue or white flowers, the staminodes bilobed.

3. ILYSANTHES MINIMA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 284.

Vandalur in Chingleput (Bourne); Tinnevelly, about Pallamcottah, in rice fields (Wight).

A minute erect herb with rather large yellow flowers.

4. ILYSANTHES ROTUNDIFOLIA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 284. Gratiola rotundifolia, Linn.; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 204.

E. Coast (fide Roxburgh); W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, in wet places, banks of ponds, etc.

A creeping herb with round leaves and white flowers, the staminodes rather large.

5. ILYSANTHES SERRATA, Urban. Bonnaya brachiata, Link and Otto; F. B. I. iv. 284.

All plains Districts and up to about 4,000 ft. in the hills, in wet places, pasture lands, on rocks, etc., common. A stiff erect herb with pink, purple or white flowers.

6. ILYSANTHES REPTANS, Urban. Bonnaya reptans, Spr.; F. B. I. iv. 284. B. veronicaefolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1411 not of Spr.

Madras (Shuter); Malabar (Wight); Travancore (Bourdillon, Venkoba Row) in swampy places.

A creeping herb with light purple flowers.

7. ILYSANTHES VERONICAEFOLIA, Urban. Bonnaya veronicaefolia, Spr.; F. B. I. iv. 285. Gratiola veronicaefolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 154. G. grandiflora, Roxb. I. c. t. 179. Bonnaya verbenaefolia, Spr.; Wt. Ic. t. 1412.

All Districts in the plains and up to 5,000 ft. in the hills, in wet places, common.

A very variable species, whether in habit, in leaf or in flower, the flowers usually violet with darker lines. The varieties grandiflora and verbenaefolia are connected by intermediates with the species.

- 8. ILYSANTHES OPPOSITIFOLIA, Urban. Gratiola oppositifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 155. Bonnaya oppositifolia, Spr.; F. B. I. iv. 286.

  Deccan and Carnatic, also W. Coast, in wet places, not common.

  A small inconspicuous plant with blue flowers.
- ILYSANTHES TENUIFOLIA, Urban. Bonnaya tenuifolia, Spr.; F. B. I. iv. 286.

W. Coast, Malabar and Travancore.

A small very slender tufted weak marsh herb with pale blue flowers.

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## INTRODUCTION TO PART VI.

I HAVE thought it best to add a few pages to the proper number of the Part, in order to complete the Families of the GAMOPETALÆ. Part VII will therefore be able to start at once with the MONOCHLAMYDEÆ.

Such Supplementary Notes as are necessary for Parts V and VI will soon appear in the 'Kew Bulletin,' but they are not many.

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## 17. Microcarpaea, R. Br.

A very small slender diffuse or creeping nearly glabrous herb. Leaves opposite, sessile, oblong, obtuse, entire. Flowers minute, axillary, solitary, sessile; bracteoles 0. Calyx tubular, 5-angled, 5-lobed, the ribs thick. Corolla very short; tube broad; lobes 5, broad, spreading, the 2 upper partially connate. Stamens 2 perfect; filaments filiform; anthers confluent, 1-celled; staminodes 0. Ovary many-ovuled; style filiform; stigma capitate recurved. Fruit a small ovoid loculicidal capsule, included in the calyx, valves separating from the placentiferous dissepiment. Seeds very small, ellipsoid.

MICROCARPAEA MUSCOSA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 287. W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, in marshy places. A minute tufted slender herb, the branches interlacing, the stems rooting at the nodes, the leaves about 25 in. long.

## 18. Peplidium, Delile.

Small prostrate or creeping glabrous herbs. Leaves opposite, fleshy, entire, more or less obovate. Flowers small, axillary, sub-sessile, 1-3nate. Calyx tubular, 5-ribbed, obtusely 5-lobed, enlarged and ovoidglobose in fruit. Corolla-tube short; lobes 5, broad, subequal or one broader. Stamens 2, included; filaments broad, curved; anthers 1celled; staminodes 0. Ovary many-ovuled; style short; stigma large, flat, recurved over the anthers. Fruit a globose or ovoid capsule, the walls fragile, bursting irregularly, the placentiferous dissepiment winged. Seeds numerous, angular, truncate, dotted.

PEPLIDIUM MARITIMUM, Wettest. P. humifusum, Del.; F. B. I. iv. 287. Microcarpaea cochlearifolia, Sm.; Wight in Hook. Bot. Misc. iii. Suppl. t. 29.

E. Coast Districts, on the margins of tanks and in similar wet places; W. Gháts, swamps and ponds in the Pulney Hills

A small prostrate herb, rooting at the nodes, the small flowers pale pink, the capsules bursting very easily, the leaves orbicular obovate or spathulate.

## 19. Glossostigma, Arn.

Minute glabrous creeping herbs. Leaves opposite or fascicled, linear or spathulate, entire. Flowers minute, axillary, solitary, bracteoles 0. Calyx campanulate, obtusely 3—4-lobed. Corolla-tube short; lobes 5, subequal, spreading. Stamens 2 (in the Indian species) or 4; filaments filiform; anthers with diverging cells, their tips confluent. Ovary many-ovuled; style short; stigma dilated, spathulate, recurved. Fruit a small loculicidal capsule, enclosed in the calyx; valves entire, separating from the columnar not winged placentiferous axis. Seeds minute, ellipsoid.

GLOSSOSTIGMA SPATHULATUM, Arn.; F. B. I. iv. 288. Microcarpaea spathulata, Benth.; Wight in Hook. Bot. Misc. ii. Suppl. t. 4. Carnatic, margins of tanks and other wet places.

A minute tufted herb creeping and rooting at the nodes, the branches much interwoven. The flowers in Wight's fig. are pale pink.

## 20. Scoparia, Linn.

Herbs or undershrubs, with twiggy branches. Leaves opposite or whorled, entire or toothed, punctate. Flowers small, white or yellow, axillary, solitary or binate; bracteoles 0. Calyx small, 4—5-partite, the lobes imbricate. Corolla rotate, 4-lobed, the throat densely bearded; lobes obtuse, subequal. Stamens 4, subequal; filaments filiform; anthercells distinct, parallel or diverging. Ovary with many ovules; style subclavate; stigma notched or truncate. Fruit a small globose or ovoid septicidal capsule, enclosed in the calyx, the valves membranous, separating from the placentiferous axis. Seeds many, angled, scrobiculate.

SCOPARIA DULCIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 289.

All plains Districts and to about 3,000 ft. on dry hills, a tropical American plant now run wild and very common in India, on waste lands and fallow fields.

A glabrous undershrub sometimes up to 3 ft. in height, with small white flowers and lanceolate or elliptic-lanceolate coarsely serrate leaves,

## 21. Veronica, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs, rarely trees. Leaves opposite, the upper ones only or sometimes all occasionally alternate. Flowers solitary axillary, or in terminal or axillary racemes, bracteate but not bracteolate. Calyx 4—5-partite, the lower lobes connate, the upper if present smaller. Corolla rotate or shortly salver-shaped, blue purple or white; lobes 4 or 5, the upper and lower usually narrower. Stamens 2, exserted, adnate to the corolla-tube on either side of the upper lobe; anther-cells confluent at their tips. Ovary many- or few-ovuled; style simple; stigma subcapitate. Fruit a compressed or turgid 2-grooved capsule, dehiscing in various ways. Seeds many or few, smooth or rugose, sometimes winged.

Prostrate herbs, the leaves of flowering branches alternate; flowers solitary in the leaf-axils:—

1. VERONICA AGRESTIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 294.

 Nilgiri Hills, usually above 5,000 ft., a weed of cultivation, probably introduced.
 A prostrate annual weed with small blue flowers. 2. Veronica Persica, Poir.; F. B. I. iv. 294.

Nilgiri Hills, about Ootacamund, at 7,000 ft., a weed of cultivation, probably introduced but likely to spread as in other countries.

A prostrate annual weed with rather large blue flowers.

3. VERONICA ARVENSIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 296.

Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft., a weed of cultivation and waste land, probably introduced.

An erect annual weed, with very small blue or white flowers.

4. VERONICA JAVANICA, Bl.; F. B. I. iv. 296.

W. Ghats, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore above 6.000 ft.

A pubescent annual herb with many-branched slender stems and small flowers and capsules.

#### 22. Buchnera, Linn.

Annual rigid herbs, black when dry. Leaves: lower opposite, broad; upper alternate, narrow. Flowers sessile, axillary or in bracteate spikes, bracteoles 2. Calyx tubular, 5-lobed, 10-ribbed, the lobes short. Corolla-tube slender; lobes 5, flat, subequal, spreading, the upper inmost in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers 1-celled, vertical, dorsifixed, the connective sometimes mucronate. Ovary with many ovules; style thickened or clavate above; stigma entire or notched. Fruit an oblong loculicidal capsule; valves entire, coriaceous, separating from the placentas. Seeds very many, angled, obovoid or oblong.

BUCHNERA HISPIDA, Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 298; Wt. Ic. t. 1413.

Most Forest Districts, in grassy places.

An erect hispid herb with pale purple flowers growing to about 18—24 in. in height, the lower leaves obovate or oblong, coarsely serrate, the upper lanceolate or linear.

## 23. Striga, Lour.

Herbs, usually scabrid, discoloured or black when dry, generally parasitic. Leaves: the lower opposite, the upper alternate, linear, entire, rarely toothed, sometimes reduced to scales. Flowers axillary or the upper in bracteate spikes; bracteoles usually 2. Calyx tubular. the tube with 5, 10 or 15 ribs; lobes 5. Corolla-tube slender, abruptly incurved at or above the middle; limb spreading, the upper lip inner in bud, usually short, notched or 2-fid, the lower 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers 1-celled, vertical, dorsifixed, the connective sometimes mucronate. Ovary many-ovuled; style slender, thickened upwards; stigma entire. Fruit an oblong obovoid or subglobose capsule, loculicidal, the valves entire septiferous, separating from the placentas. Seeds very many, ovoid or oblong, usually reticulate.

 Calyx 10-ribbed, occasionally 15-ribbed, but the secondary ribs always ending at the sinus between the lobes, the ribs with stiff hairs on bulbous bases; an erect parasitic herb, little branched; leaves linear; corolla yellow or sometimes white

1. Striga orobanchoides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 299; Wt. Ic. t. 1414. Deccan, in most Districts; Carnatic, in Tinnevelly; W. Gháts, in S. Canara and Malabar, up to 6,000 ft. in the hills, usually on red and gravelly soils.

A parasitic plant found on the roots of various plants, chiefly on *Lepidagathis* in Acanthaceae (Wight and others), also on *Euphorbia antiquorum* (Fischer), *Dysophylla* (Barber). The pink corolla has a white spot at the base of each lobe. The calyx is hispid-pubescent, the flowers in dense terminal spikes with short bracts.

2. STRIGA DENSIFLORA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 299.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic.

An erect scabrid herb, the leaves up to 1.5 in. long, very narrow, the flowers in slender spikes with long bracts and linear bracteoles, the calyx with crustaceous glandular subulate lobes.

3. STRIGA LUTEA, LOUR.; F. B. I. iv. 299.

All Districts and up to 7,000 ft. in hills, in dry grassy places .

and among crops.

An erect scabrous hirsute branching parasitic herb, usually pale when dry, the leaves up to 1.5 in. long, very narrow and rough, the flowers in slender spikes with long bracts and minute bracteoles. Watt in Comml. Prod. Ind. records it as parasitic and harmful on sugarcane and Sorghum. I have found it myself on the latter.

4. Striga Euphrasioides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 299; Wt. Ic. t. 855.

Most Districts, both in the plains and up to about 4,000 ft. in the hills.

A very variable erect herb either slender and rather short, turning black when dry, or stout and branching and greenish-grey when dry. Duthie (Fl. Gang. Pl. ii. 157) says that it is parasitic and destructive in crops of sugarcane and Sorghum, but this is not recorded from Madras. The leaves reach 2 in. in length and are scabrous.

 Striga Masuria, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 300. Carnatic, at Guindy near Madras (Shuter). A slender erect scabrid herb.

## 24. Alectra, Thunb.

Erect rigid usually scabrid herbs, black when dry. Leaves opposite or alternate, sometimes reduced to scales. Flowers in terminal spikes

or racemes, bracteate and bracteolate. Calyx campanulate, 5-lobed, the lobes valvate or open in bud. Corolla tube broad, the limb oblique; lobes 5, spreading, the lower outer in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, the anthers touching in pairs; cells parallel, their bases mucronate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules very many; style simple; stigma elongate, oblong-clavate. Fruit a subglobose or ovoid loculicidal capsule, the valves entire, bearing the placentas. Seeds very many, minute, linear-cuneate, the testa lax, reticulate longitudinally.

ALECTRA THOMSONI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 297.

N. Circars, Ethakonda in Godavari, 1,700 ft. (V. Narayanswami). An erect stiff herb with stems having the leaves reduced to green brown or purple scales, and corolla yellow with red nerves. It is apparently parasitic and usually on Acanthaceae like *Strobilanthes auriculatus*.

## 25. Rhamphicarpa, Benth.

Erect glabrous herbs, drying black. Leaves: lower opposite, upper alternate, narrow, entire or pinnatisect. Flowers axillary and pedicelled or in bracteate racemes; bracteoles 1—2 or 0. Calyx campanulate with 5 acuminate lobes. Corolla-tube slender, elongate, straight or incurved; lobes 5, broad, spreading, subequal or the upper connate. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers 1-celled, vertical, dorsifixed. Ovary many-ovuled; style slender, thickened above; stigma simple. Fruit a capsule compressed at right angles to the septum, usually beaked, loculicidal; valves septiferous, placentas large. Seeds small, obovoid or oblong; testa reticulate.

RHAMPHICARPA LONGIFLORA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 300; Wt. Ic. t. 1415.
W. Coast in S. Canara in marshy pastures

W. Coast, in S. Canara, in marshy pastures. An erect herb reaching 2—12 in. in height with white corolla and beaked capsule, the leaves pinnatisect with filiform segments.

#### 26. Sopubia, Ham.

Erect perennial herbs. Leaves opposite, or the upper alternate, narrow, linear trifid or pinnatisect. Flowers in spikes or racemes with leafy bracts; bracteoles 2. Calyx campanulate, 5-lobed. Corolla-tube funnel-shaped, dilated at the throat; lobes 5, spreading, the 2 upper inmost in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, the anthers meeting in pairs; one anther-cell fertile, longitudinally dehiscing, the other small and imperfect. Ovary many-ovuled; style slender; stigma thickened and tongue-shaped, obtuse or capitate at apex. Fruit an ovoid or oblong loculicidal capsule, the valves entire or bifid, separating from the dissepiment which bears large placentas. Seeds numerous, oblong or cuneate, often truncate; testa lax, striate or reticulate.

 lower leaves trifid, 5—1.5 in. long, the lobes linear or filiform, passing into linear floral bracts; capsule emarginate, seeds oblong, spirally reticulate.......2. trifida.

SOPUBIA DELPHINIFOLIA, G. Don; F. B. I. iv. 302. Gerardia delphinifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 90.
 Deccan, Carnatic and E. side of W. Gháts, up to 7,000 ft., less common on W. Coast, in rocky places in the forests, fields and grassy slopes.

A pretty erect herb, reaching 1—3 ft. in height. Fyson says it

is a root parasite.

2. Sopubia trifida, Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 302.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. (Gamble); Deccan, on Ramandrúg in Bellary (Beddome); W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and Travancore Hills at 3,000—7,000 ft. in grassy pasture land. A pretty herb, 1—2 ft. high.

#### 27. Micrargeria, Benth.

Rigid scabrid erect herbs, black when dry. Leaves alternate or the lower opposite, entire or pinnatifid. Flowers small, in the upper axils or in long terminal bracteate spikes or racemes; bracteoles 2. Calyx campanulate or hemispheric; lobes 5, broad. Corolla-tube dilated above, incurved; lobes 5, broad, spreading, entire, subequal, the 2 upper inner in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers free, meeting in pairs, cells distinct, subequal, attached by their tips. Ovary many-ovuled; style slender; stigma, tongue-shaped. Fruit a small globose loculicidal capsule; the valves separating from 2 small globose placentas. Seeds numerous, oblong-cuneate; testa lax.

MICRARGERIA WIGHTH, Benth; F. B. I. iv. 303; Wt. Ic. t. 1417.

Deccan, in Mysore and Coimbatore; Carnatic in Tinnevelly.

An erect herb reaching 18 in. high, with small corolla and pubescent much cut leaves, the lobes filiform in upper ones, spathulate

in lower.

## 28. Centranthera, R. Br.

Scabrid herbs, probably more or less parasitic. Leaves opposite or the upper alternate, entire or toothed. Flowers axillary or in bracteate spikes or racemes; bracteoles 2. Calyx spathaceous, split on one side, compressed, entire or shortly 3—5-lobed. Corolla-tube long, tubular or funnel-shaped, incurved and dilated above; limb oblique; lobes subequal, spreading, the 2 upper inside in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers meeting in pairs, cells transverse, spurred or mucronate at base; one cell often imperfect. Ovary with many ovules; style simple, dilated above; stigma tongue-shaped, acute. Fruit an ovoid or subglobose loculicidal capsule; valves entire, the placentas in the middle. Seeds very many, conical or cuneate; testa lax, reticulate.

Leaves oblong; corolla funnel-shaped; leaves hispid, the hairs on tubercular bases; seeds conical, the testa spirally reticulate:—

Calyx 25 in. long, ovate, acute; corolla rose-coloured or white, up to .75 in. long; leaves elliptic- or linear-oblong, up to 1.5 in. long; lower filaments pilose

1. hispida.

1. Centranthera hispida, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 301; Wall. Pl. As. Rar. t. 45.

Deccan, in Mysore, up to 3,000 ft.; W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore in wet places and rice-fields. An erect herb reaching 2 ft. in height.

2. CENTRANTHERA INDICA, Gamble n. comb. C. procumbens, Benth.;
E. B. I. iv 301: Trimen El Cevl. t. 68

F. B. I. iv. 301; Trimen Fl. Ceyl. t. 68.
W. Coast in Malabar and Travancore (Wight, Fischer); S. E. Wynaad (Beddome), in wet places.

An erect diffuse herb with bright orange-coloured roots (Trimen).

3. CENTRANTHERA HUMIFUSA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 301.

E. Coast, Tada in Nellore (Bourne); W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, in wet places.

A diffuse small, erect or prostrate, herb.

## 29. Pedicularis, Linn.

Perennial or rarely annual semiparasitic herbs. Leaves alternate opposite or whorled, pinnatifid or pinnatisect. Flowers in bracteate terminal spikes or racemes; bracteoles 0. Calyx tubular or campanulate, entire or split down one side, 2—5-toothed, lateral teeth free or connate, entire or crested, lower small or 0. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric; upper lip erect, hooded compressed obtuse acute or beaked; lower with 3 spreading or deflexed lobes. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthers under the upper lip meeting in pairs; cells distinct, equal, parallel, both perfect. Ovary many-ovuled; style slender; stigma subcapitate. Fruit a compressed capsule, usually more or less oblique and often beaked, loculicidal; valves often joined to the middle. Seeds numerous, various in shape and markings of the testa, usually reticulate.

1. Pedicularis zeylanica, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 317; Wt. Ic. t. 1419; Prain Ann. Calc. iii. 153; t. 14.

W. Gháts, in all Districts at about 5,000—7,000 ft. in open grass lands in dampish localities; Shevaroy Hills of Salem.

A handsome species of which there are two forms, one erect up to about 2 ft. high, the other branching near the ground and diffuse, but they have no varietal differences.

2. Pedicularis Perrottetti, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 317; Wt. Ic. t. 1418; Prain Ann. Calc. iii. 119. t. 8.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris above 7,000 ft., not rare near Avalanché and Nilgiri and Mukurti Peaks in the Kundahs; Anamalais above Iyearpadi, 7,000 ft. (Barber), on grass lands.

A striking species with very long corolla-tube. The host plant,

if any, has not been recorded.

Calceolaria mexicana, Benth., is a pretty yellow-flowered weed from Mexico now naturalised on the higher parts of the Nilgiris and Pulneys, also on the hills of N. Coimbatore and the Bababudan Hills of Mysore. Antirrhinum Orontium, Linn., has been found as an escape in the Nilgiris, and A. majus, Linn., the Snapdragon, in both the Nilgiri and Pulney Hills. Scrophularia peregrina, Linn., a herb of Asia Minor, is found as a roadside weed in the Nilgiris (Bourne). Digitalis purpurea, Linn., the Foxglove, is said to have lately run wild in the Nilgiris. Many handsome-flowered species may be found in gardens, such as those of Alonsoa, Angelonia, Maurandia, Pentstemon, Russelia.

## Family CVIII. OROBANCHACEAE.

Leafless root-parasites; stem usually simple, sometimes branched, the stem or branches with scales. Flowers hermaphrodite, irregular, solitary or in spikes or racemes; bracts large, scale-like; bracteoles 1—2 scale-like, or 0. Calyx spathaceous or 2-lipped or with 4 or 5 free or connate lobes. Corolla hypogynous, curved, usually 2-lipped, sometimes subequally 5-lobed; upper lip often arched, lower 3-lobed, throat often with 2 villous folds. Stamens 4, didynamous, adnate to the corolla-tube; anthers 1—2-celled, one cell often imperfect, cells frequently spurred at the base, dehiscence by slits or apical pores. Disk usually obscure. Ovary of 2 rarely 3 connate carpels, 1-rarely 2-celled; ovules many, on free or confluent parietal placentas. Fruit a capsule, usually 1-celled; valves 2 rarely 3. Seeds many, minute; testa pitted or reticulate; albumen fleshy; embryo ovoid, often undivided.

Corolla-lobes broad, subequal, spreading:—
Calyx spathaceous, split in front nearly to the base; anther-cells unequal

1. Aeginetia.

Calyx tubular-campanulate, 5-lobed:—
Anthers 2-celled, 1 cell often imperfect, spurred at base; stigma peltate

## 1. Aeginetia, Linn.

Leafless herbs with simple or branched, naked or scaly scapes or stems. Flowers few, large, solitary or corymbose; bracteoles 0. Calyx spathaceous, split in front nearly to the base. Corolla-tube broad, incurved, obscurely 2-lipped; lobes 5, broad, spreading, the two upper connate, outer in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers meeting in pairs with 1 perfect cell adnate to the filament not spurred below, the other absent from the upper pair, empty clavate and deflexed in the lower. Ovary 1-celled; placentas 2- or more-lobed, filling the cavity, bearing ovules all over; style slender; stigma large, peltate. Fruit a partially 2-valved capsule. Seeds crowded, minute, reticulate.

Scape slender, naked; corolla deep purple-red; placentas multifid.......1. indica. Scape short, stout, bracteate; corolla-tube yellow, mouth blue; placentas 2-lamellate 2. pedunculata.

 AEGINETIA INDICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 320; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 91; Wt. Ic. t. 895.

Hills of the N. Circars; W. Gháts, in almost all Districts up to about 3,000 ft.

Parasitic herb of a purplish red colour, the root of interlaced fleshy fibres. It grows apparently on the roots of many different plants.

 Aeginetia Pedunculata, Wall. Pl. As. Rar. t. 219; F. B. I. iv. 320; Wt. Ic. t. 1421.

W. Ghats, S. Canara to Travancore, up to 4,000 ft.

Parasitic on the roots of grasses. A reddish or yellowish herb with short stem underground and many often long branches with sheathing bracts, the calyx orange colour.

#### 2. Christisonia, Gardn.

Fleshy parasitic herbs, the stems simple or tufted on the root-stock and bearing alternate obtuse or acute scales instead of leaves. Flowers usually peduncled, with or without bracteoles. Calyx tubular, 2-lipped or with 5 lobes. Corolla-tube tubular or funnel-shaped, straight or slightly curved, the mouth with 5 nearly equal lobes or obscurely 2-lipped. Stamens 4, usually included; filaments stout, anthers 2-celled, one cell perfect the other imperfect and spurred, the upper pair sometimes with both cells perfect. Ovary 1-celled, placentas large, 2- or more-lobed, bearing all over very numerous ovules; style long; stigma large, peltate. Fruit a partially 2-valved capsule. Seeds very many, minute, testa reticulate.

Stems elongate, up to 12 in. long or longer, with few distant peduncled flowers with one bract, no bracteoles, glabrous except the corolla; anthers 2-celled, one fertile, the other sterile sharply spurred; calvx subbilabiate:—

1. Christisonia tubulosa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 321. Oligopholis tubulosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1422.

W. Gháts, Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, usually at about 3,000-4,000 ft.,

about Courtallum on roots of bamboo (Wight), in S. E. Wynaad on rice (Gamble).

A tall parasitic herb, with large sparse flowers, the stems and calyx light brown, the flowers pink, yellowish on the lower lip.

2. Christisonia Saulièrei, Dunn in Kew Bull. 1914, 30.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills, at Kodaikanal, 7,000 ft. (Saulière). A slender erect herb, like the former, but with smaller flowers

and shorter peduncles.

3. CHRISTISONIA BICOLOR, Gardn.; F. B. I. iv. 322. C. aurantiaca, Wt.

Ic. t. 1486; Spic. Neilgh. t. 167.

Nilgiri Hills, sholas at the head of the Ochterlony Valley at 6,000 ft., probably chiefly parasitic on Acanthaceae like Strobilanthes; Pulney Hills at Periyar Shola (Bourne); Bolampatti Hills of Coimbatore (Wight).

A fleshy plant with thick brownish yellow scaly stem, orangecoloured calyx and yellow corolla. The Pulney specimens are very small and differ slightly; they are said to have corolla and

calyx rose-coloured.

4. CHRISTISONIA SUBACAULIS, Gardn.; F. B. I. iv. 321; Wt. Ic. t. 1423

(corrected in text).

Tinnevelly Hills, about Courtallum, probably parasitic on the

roots of bamboos (Trimen in Fl. Ceyl.).

A fleshy plant, scarcely showing above ground and covered with a viscid mucilage. The flowers are white, the margins of the corolla-lobes pale blue (Wt. in MS.).

## 3. Campbellia, Wt.

Fleshy parasitic herbs with thick rootstock, the stems with many obtuse scales, usually much imbricate, at any rate at first. Flowers peduncled, in crowded heads; bracteoles 2. Calyx tubular-campanulate with 5 equal lobes. Corolla funnel-shaped, more or less bilabiate; lobes 5, the upper lip 2- the lower 3-lobed, the lobes spreading. Stamens 4, exserted; filaments stout; anthers 1-celled opening by a pore at the apex, the opening then extending upwards. Ovary 1-celled; placentas 2, meeting in the centre, bearing very numerous ovules; style simple; stigma ovoid or clavate. Fruit an imperfectly 2-celled capsule. Seeds very many, minute, oblong; testa loose, reticulate.

CAMPBELLIA CYTINOIDES, Wt. Ic. t. 1425. Christisonia neilgherrica, Gardn.: F. B. I. iv. 322.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, in sholas at about 5,000-

7,000 ft., parasitic on roots of Strobilanthes.

A thick plant of a yellow colour, at first with the scales much imbricate, but they become more distant as the stem elongates with age. The capsules are open quite globose.

## 4. Orobanche, Linn.

Scapigerous herbs; scapes simple or branched; scales acute. Flowers in spikes or racemes, each with a scale-like bract; bracteoles 2 or 0. Calyx unequally 4-fid or bipartite from back to front, the

lobes entire or bifid with rarely a fifth lobe. Corolla 2-lipped; tube curved, dilated above, circumscissile at the base; upper lip erect, crenulate notched or bifid, lower somewhat spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anther-cells equal, parallel, the bases usually mucronate. Disk 0 or glandular. Ovary 1-celled, placentas 4, equidistant or in pairs; ovules very many; style simple; stigma funnel-shaped peltate or somewhat laterally bilobed. Fruit a 2-valved capsule, the valves often cohering with the style. Seeds very many, small, globose or ovoid.

OROBANCHE CERNUA, Loefl.; F. B. I. iv. 325.

Var. desertorum, Beck. O. nicotianae, Wt. Ill. t. 158; F. B. I. iv. 326. N. Circars and Deccan, parasitic on tobacco (see Wight's remarks in Spic. Neilg.) and perhaps other plants. An erect herb with pale brown stems, the corolla with a white

tube and pale blue or violet lobes.

## Family CIX. LENTIBULARIACEAE.

Herbs, aquatic or in wet places, often insectivorous. Leaves rosulate or, when submerged, capillaceo-multifid, sometimes obsolete. Flowers irregular, hermaphrodite, in 1-many-flowered simple or branched scapes; bracts small or 0; bracteoles 2 or 0. Calyx inferior, 2—5-lobed or -partite. Corolla 2-lipped, spurred; the upper lip usually the smaller, entire or emarginate, the lower usually much larger, 3—5-lobed. Stamens 2, attached to the base of the corolla; filaments curved; anthers 2-celled, dorsifixed, the cells transversely confluent, longitudinally dehiscing. Ovary 1-celled, globose; ovules very many, on a free basal placenta; style short; stigma unequally 2-lobed. Seeds very many, minute, exalbuminous.

## Utricularia, Linn.

Herbs, floating and rootless, or, on wet ground and rocks, rooting among other plants, sometimes twining, often furnished with minute bladder-like insect traps, sometimes also in floating species with floating supports to the scape. Leaves in floating species multifid with capillary segments, in erect or twining species entire. Flowers on simple or branched scapes, racemose; pedicels bracteate and often bibracteolate. Calyx 2-partite; lobes entire or nearly so, often accrescent. Corolla 2-lipped, the upper lip entire or emarginate, the lower larger and lobed, the spur straight or curved. Stamens 2; filaments broad. Ovary 1-celled, many-ovuled. Seeds of various shapes, minute, the testa often lax and reticulate.

Water plants, the stolons submerged; leaves whorled, with capillary segments mostly interspersed with minute bladders:—

Peduncles without a whorl of spongy floats; pedicels long:—

Peduncles and pedicels stout; submerged leaves very many, long, sometimes the uppermost with the rhachis inflated; seeds prismatic with sharp angles

and slightly winged margins; flowers rather large, usually 3—8....2. flexuosa. Peduncles and pedicels slender; submerged leaves very short, lobes capillary; seeds lenticular, with a broad dentate corky wing; flowers small, 1—3

Terrestrial plants, the stems rooted in mud or moss or among the roots of other plants; leaves often disappearing before flowering and sometimes capillary and furnished with minute bladders:—

Leaves more or less linear or linear-spathulate:-

Scales and bracts of the scape attached by their base:-

Flowers chiefly blue of purple:-

Scapes 3—6 in. high, 3—10-flowered, rather stout, sometimes bifid; sepals ovate, acute, subequal, decurrent; lower lip of corolla ·25 in. in diam.; spur straight, conical, deflexed; seeds obovoid

Pedicels not recurved in fruit:—

5. stricticaulis.

curved; seeds reticulate with elongate areoles:—
Scapes short, 4—6 in. long rarely longer, the scales few distant lanceolate; calyx-lobes ovate, acuminate; corolla with obovate upper

Flowers large, on scapes up to 10 in. long, erect or twining, scales few minute; calyx-lobes ovate, one obtuse, the other acute; corolla with obovate upper and broadly suborbicular lower lip ·5 in. broad, the spur conical and curved, nearly as long; seeds globose, scrobiculate (Wight)

Scapes erect, glabrous; pedicels recurved in fruit; corolla with rounded upper and emarginate lower lip, the palate swollen, the spur as long ('25 in.) slightly curved; seeds obovoid, the testa reticulate......12. bifida. Scapes filiform, twining; pedicels suberect in fruit; corolla with obovate slightly emarginate upper and similar but larger lower lip, the spur nearly as long and curved outwards; seeds ellipsoid, reticulate...13. Wallichiana. Scales and bracts of the scape attached by their middle; flowers subsessile;

 Utricularia stellaris, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 328; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 180; Wt. Ic. t. 1567.

N. Circars, in standing fresh water; Carnatic, Madras, Tanjore (fide Wight).

A water plant with yellow flowers, only the inflorescence showing above the surface, held up by the floats, which have filiform external pinnules at their apices.

 Utricularia flexuosa, Vahl.; F. B. I. iv. 329. U. fasciculata, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1568.

N. Circars and Carnatic, chiefly near the coast; W. Coast, in all Districts, in rice-fields, tanks and other fresh-water wet places. A water plant with yellow flowers, similar to the former but with longer peduncles, larger flowers and pedicels deflexed after flowering; no floats but occasional inflated upper leaf rhachises; capsules rather large.

3. Utricularia exoleta, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 329. U. diantha, Roem. & Sch.; Wt. Ic. t. 1569.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Malabar, Travancore and Tinnevelly, in wet places.

A small water plant floating in water or sometimes rooting in wet mud, the leaves very small and sparingly lobed, occasionally the whole leaf inflated and linear, especially on mud. Flowers yellow with orange streaks, the spur rather long, the capsules small and globose.

4. Utricularia arcuata, Wt. Ic. t. 1571, fig. 1; F. B. I. iv. 330.
Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law); S. Travancore (Wight).
A pretty delicate species with bluish-purple flowers and prominently curved slender spur. The roots have small round bladders as have the linear-spathulate leaves.

5. UTRICULARIA STRICTICAULIS, Stapf in Herb. Kew. *U. caerulea* var. *stricticaulis*, Koenig. *U. reticulata* var. *uliginosa*, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 331. *U. humilis*, Wt. Ic. t. 1572, 2. not of Vahl.

N. Circars, frequent in Ganjam (Gamble); Deccan and Carnatic, Mysore, Madras and Nellore.

A rather thick-stemmed plant with blue flowers and prominent fruiting calyx, the leaves linear, very narrow, the root bladders very small.

6. Utricularia uliginosa, Vahl. *U. affinis*, Wt. Ic. t. 1580, fig. 1; F. B. I. iv. 330. *U. brachypoda*, Wt. Ic. t. 1578, fig. 1.

W. Gháts, S. Canara and Mysore to Nilgiris and Travancore, up to 7,000 ft. in the hills in swampy land, more common northwards.

A small rather obscure species with bluish-purple flowers and conical spur. The linear-oblong obtuse leaves and small bladders are very evanescent.

7. Utricularia graminifolia, Vahl. *U. caerulea*, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 331, not of Linn. *U. pedicellata*, Wt. Ic. t. 1578, fig. 2. *U. uliginoides*, Wt. Ic. t. 1573. *U. conferta*, Wt. Ic. t. 1575.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, especially Nilgiris and Pulneys, in

bogs and other wet places at high levels, common.

A slender species with bluish-purple flowers and linear leaves on filiform stolons rooting among grass- and other plant-roots, and provided with small bladders.

8. Utricularia squamosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1579. U. caerulea var. squamosa,

C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 331.

Nilgiri Hills, about Sispara at 5,000 ft.; Attapadi Hills of Malabar at 5,300 ft. (Fischer).

A very slender erect plant with blue flowers and linear-spathu-

late leaves, very evanescent.

 Utricularia Smithiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1577. U. caerulea var. Smithiana, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 331.

W. Gháts, Malabar or Coorg (Wight); Pulneys, at high levels

(Bourne).

A slender plant resembling *U. graminifolia* but much larger, also *U. reticulata* but less twining. Flowers blue shaded mauve and lilac, leaves linear-spathulate on filiform rhizomes bearing bladders.

UTRICULARIA RETICULATA, Smith Exot. Bot. t. 119; F. B. I. iv. 331;
 Wt. Ill. t. 143. U. uliginosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1574 (right-hand fig. only).
 W. Coast, in all Districts, in rice-fields, climbing up the stems of the rice.

A striking and interesting species with blue-violet corolla, the palate reticulated with pale blue and white.

11. UTRICULARIA SCANDENS, Oliver; F. B. I. iv. 332.

Carnatic, Madras, Arcot (Shuter); Madura, near the hills (Wight); W. Gháts up to 5,000 ft. in Anamalais (Barber).

A very minute twining plant, often found on other species like

U. Wallichiana, the flowers blue.

12. UTRICULARIA BIFIDA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 332; Bot. Mag. t. 6689. Deccan and Carnatic, Kambakam Hills of Chingleput (Bourne, etc.), hills of Cuddapah at 2,500 ft.; S. Travancore, in wet places (Bourdillon).

An erect rigid slender herb with yellow flowers, filiform leaves and 2-horned small bladders on threads at their bases.

13. UTRICULARIA WALLICHIANA, Wt. Ic. t. 1572, fig. 1; F. B. I. iv. 332. Deccan, in hilly country in Salem and Coimbatore above 1,000 ft.; W. Gháts, in all Districts up to 7,000 ft., in bogs and other wet places, common.

A very slender twining plant with yellow flowers and linear

evanescent leaves.

Var. macrolepis, Gamble. U. macrolepis, Wt. Ic. t. 1580, fig. 2 excl. seeds.

Tinnevelly and S. Travancore (Wight). Scales on the stem comparatively large, ovate, acute. Utricularia caerulea, Linn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1583. U. racemosa, Wall.;
 F. B. I. iv. 333. U. nivea, Vahl; Wt. Ic. t. 1582.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Gamble); Deccan, Seshachalam Hills of Cuddapah, at 2,500 ft. (Gamble); W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, up to 7,000 ft.; Shevaroy Hills of Salem; always in swampy places.

A very slender plant with flowers from white to purple, nearly sessile on the scape, the leaves short and spathulate with minute bladders. The very small form with few usually white flowers

is var. filicaulis, C. B. Clarke.

15. UTRICULARIA ROSEO-PURPUREA, Stapf in Herb. Kew. U. rosea, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 333, not of Edgw.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, to

7,000 ft., in swamps.

A slender plant with dark purple (Trimen) or sometimes apparently pinkish flowers, rather large, the leaves rather short and spathulate.

16. Utricularia striatula, Sm. U. orbiculata, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 334.

U. glochidiata, Wt. Ic. t. 1581.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill, Ganjam, 4,000 ft. (Fischer); W. Gháts, in almost all Districts from S. Canara and Mysore to Tinnevelly, above 3,000 ft., on wet rocks; Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Bourne).

A small very pretty slender herb with persistent leaves, filiform stolons bearing many small bladders, and flowers with the upper lip of the corolla white, the lower white with lilac margins

and yellow in the throat.

## Family CX. GESNERIACEAE.

Herbs or undershrubs, sometimes epiphytic. Leaves opposite alternate or solitary, entire or toothed; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, usually irregular, or axillary on terminal peduncles rarely 1-flowered; bracts present; bracteoles usually small. Calyx of 5 lobes, valvate or open rarely imbricate. Corolla gamopetalous, tubular, more or less 2-labiate; lobes 5. Stamens on the corolla-tube, usually didynamous, sometimes 5, often only 2 perfect; anthers 2- or by confluence 1-celled, usually connate in pairs. Disk annular or cylindric or 0. Ovary 1-or imperfectly 2-celled; ovules numerous on bifid parietal sometimes subconfluent placentas; style linear; stigma capitate or 2-lobed. Fruit a 2-valved capsule or a berry; placentas parietal. Seeds very many, small, sometimes tipped with long hairs, sometimes with a longish funicle; testa usually reticulate; albumen scanty or 0; embryo straight.

Fruit a loculicidal 2-valved capsule; placentas deeply intruded:-

Capsule ellipsoid or ovoid:-

### 1. Aeschynanthus, Jack.

Epiphytic undershrubs, the stems often rooting at the nodes. Leaves opposite, fleshy or leathery, usually entire, the nerves obscure but sometimes apparent in dry specimens. Flowers often showy, in fascicles on terminal or axillary peduncles, rarely solitary; bracts usually small but sometimes large and coloured, deciduous; bracteoles small. Calyx 5-fid or 5-partite. Corolla tubular-ventricose, usually large and curved, the limb bilabiate, the upper lip of 2 small, the lower of 3 larger lobes. Stamens usually 4 perfect, with sometimes a rudimentary fifth, anthers 2 oblong, usually connate in pairs by their tips. Disk annular. Ovary superior, oblong or linear, stipitate; placentas naked on the inner face, bearing ovules on the involute margin; stigma dilated. Fruit a long linear capsule, loculicidally 2-valved, the valves with placentas recurved at the margins. Seeds very many, small, oblong or linear, with 1 or more hairs at the end near the hilum and 1 at the apex; albumen 0; cotyledons very small.

1. Aeschynanthus perrottetti, A. DC.; F. B. I. iv. 339.
W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 4,000—7,000 ft., on trees and rocks in moist forests.

An epiphyte with distant narrow leaves on smooth branches swollen at the nodes and there giving out rootlets. The flowers are handsome, scarlet with purple lines or spots on the lobes and the long papery capsules have seeds with one long hair at each end. Ae. ceylanica var. pinguis, C. B. Clarke, seems to be only a small form of this with thicker leaves.

2. Aeschynanthus Planiculmis, Gamble n. comb. Aeschynanthus Perrottetii, A. DC., var. planiculmis (by error platyculmis), C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 340. Ae. ceylanica, Wt. Ic. t. 1347, not of Gardn.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly above 4,000 ft., in damp forests. An epiphyte with thick flattened stems and close rather broad fleshy leaves, the nodes giving out rootlets. The handsome flowers, larger than those of the former species, are also, apparently, scarlet and spotted, and the capsules and seeds are similar. It is doubtfully distinct.

### 2. Didymocarpus, Wall.

Herbs, rarely undershrubs, erect scapigerous or creeping. Leaves opposite alternate or crowded, rarely solitary. Flowers axillary, fascicled or pedunculate, cymose subumbellate or racemose with the pedicels in pairs; bracts small. Calyx small. 5-fid or 5-partite, the lobes narrow. Corolla tubular or campanulate, often ventricose, the mouth often oblique; lobes 5, rounded. Stamens included, the 2 anterior perfect, the anthers connate in pairs, the posterior 2 or 3 reduced to staminodes, rarely 4 perfect. Disk cylindric or 0. Ovary narrow, 1-celled, sessile or stipitate; placentas intruded and then recurved bearing the numerous ovules; style long or short; stigma peltate, emarginate or subcapitate, rarely 2-lobed. Fruit a linear rarely lanceolate capsule loculicidally 2-valved or follicular, bearing seeds on the back of the placenta lobes. Seeds very many, minute, ellipsoid or subtrigonous, the testa pitted or waved or reticulate.

Older leaves with elongate petioles, winged and more or less lacerate, the younger and central leaves subsessile, more woolly:—

Older leaves with short petioles, broadened or winged, not lacerate, the younger and central leaves sessile or nearly so:—

Crenatures of the leaves broad and deep, irregular, leaves rather thin, spathu-

late, the blade broadly decurrent on the petiole, bullate and with tufts of white hair, up to 6 in. long, 2.5-3 in. broad:—

silky hair, rarely over 3 in. long:—
Petiole about 25 in. broad; crenatures irregular; scapes many stout, the peduncles up to 6 in. long, dichotomously branching in corymbs up to 2 in. in diam; corolla campanulate, curved, the mouth wide, 5 in long; capsule

1. DIDYMOCARPUS PYGMAEA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 345.

N. Circars, Rampa Hills (V. Narainswami) and Bison Hills (Barber) in Godavari, in crevices of rocks in damp places, usually above 2,000 ft.

A very delicate hyaline-pilose little plant with only one leaf, sessile on a short weak stem up to 3 in. long and up to about 2.5 in. long, 2 in. broad, the corolla apparently pinkish, the seeds somewhat trigonous, the sides with about 5 transverse depressions.

2. Didymocarpus repens, Bedd. Ic. t. 120; F. B. I. iv. 354.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, in moist forests at 1,000—3,000 ft. (Beddome, Bourdillon, Barber).

A creeping herb with blue flowers rather wide at the mouth, and dilated filaments, the seeds somewhat trigonous, minutely reticulate.

3. DIDYMOCARPUS MISSIONIS, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 354. D. membranacea, Bedd. Ic. t. 176.

W. Gháts, Pachemalai Hills of S. Travancore at 2,000 ft., on moist rocks, rare (Beddome).

A delicate scapigerous stellately white-hairy herb, the flowers pale blue, the seeds angular, scurfy.

4. DIDYMOCARPUS OVALIFOLIA, Wt. Ic. t. 1351; F. B. I. iv. 354.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, about 3,000 ft.

A pretty species with large prominently ventricose flowers, said to be "blue-yellow" (Wt.), probably blue with a yellow throat, the seeds ellipsoid, flattened on one side, minutely scaly.

5. DIDYMOCARPUS LYRATA, Wt. Ic. t. 1350; F. B. I. iv. 353.

Tinnevelly Hills, about Courtallum, in moist shady places (Wight).

A softly villous herb with lyrate leaves and small flowers, the seeds oblong, minutely reticulate.

6. DIDYMOCARPUS MEEBOLDII, Sm. & Ramas. in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind.

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W. Gháts, hills of Madura and Travancore, about 3,000 ft., at

Peermade Ghát (Meebold).

A scapigerous herb with thin leaves, the older white-pilose especially on the nerves, the younger softly rusty-villous, the flowers (probably) pale blue with yellow tube, the seeds subtrigonous minutely pitted.

7. DIDYMOCARPUS HUMBOLDTIANA, Gardn.; F. B. I. iv. 353.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, near Coonoor (Bourne, Gamble) and Pulneys (Bourne) at about 6,000 ft., on rocks.

A scapigerous herb with pale lilac flowers.

8. DIDYMOCARPUS ROTTLERIANA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 353.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 2,000—3,000 ft. A large scapigerous herb with many scapes and purple flowers, yellow in the throat, the seeds boat-shaped, rough.

9. DIDYMOCARPUS FISCHERI, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1923, 117. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills at 1,700 ft. (Fischer).

A large and handsome species.

10. DIDYMOCARPUS TOMENTOSA, Wt. Ic. t. 1349; F. B. I. iv. 353.

Deccan, Veligonda Hills of Nellore (Ramaswami), hills of N. Coimbatore at 4,000 ft. (Fischer); Carnatic, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly (Barber); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Madura and Tinnevelly, 3,000—6,000 ft., on rocks. A scapigerous herb with bluish-purple flowers, the seeds subtrigonous, pitted minutely.

11. DIDYMOCARPUS LANUGINOSA, Wt., not of Wall. D. tomentosa var.

lanuginosa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 353.

W. Gháts, hills of Madura and Tinnevelly (Wight).

A scapigerous herb with thick cinnamomeous-tomentose leaves.

12. DIDYMOCARPUS WIGHTH, Gamble n. comb. D. Rottleriana var. Wighthi, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 353. D. Rottleriana, Wt. Ic. t. 1348, not of Wall.

Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight), apparently very rare.

A small plant with very white woolly leaves.

### 3. Klugia, Schlect.

Herbs, the stems rooting near the base, then erect, somewhat succulent. Leaves alternate, unequal-sided at base, the lower side cordate, subentire or sinuate, many-nerved. Flowers in terminal or leaf-opposed many-flowered racemes; bracts minute or 0; bracteoles very small, linear. Calyx campanulate, 5-angled or -winged, one wing often large; lobes 5. Corolla-tube cylindric, limb 2-lipped, the upper very small, the lower broad, rounded or shortly 3-lobed, with 2 hooded depressions at base. Stamens 4 perfect, included, inserted above the middle of the tube; anthers 2-celled, approximate in pairs. Disk fleshy, annular or cylindric. Ovary ovoid, many-ovuled; style slender; stigma obscurely 2-lobed. Fruit a loculicidal 2-valved ovoid capsule, the

placentas divided into 2 thick plates, bearing seeds all over. Seeds ellipsoid, minute, testa reticulate.

KLUGIA NOTONIANA, A. DC.; F. B. I. iv. 366; Wt. Ic. t. 1353. W. Gháts, all Districts, above 3,000 ft., in damp places in ever-

green forests.

A nearly succulent annual herb reaching 2 ft. in height, with rather large flowers, white in the tube, the large lower lip bright blue with yellow near the cavities at the base; leaves very unequal-sided with many prominent parallel curved nerves, up to 8 in. or more long, 4 in. broad, glabrous or scabrid-pubescent.

### 4. Rhyncoglossum, Blume.

Herbs, usually glabrous. Leaves alternate, unequal-sided at base, the lower side cordate, entire or sinuate. Flowers in long many-flowered racemes; bracts 0; bracteoles minute. Calyx campanulate, 5-lobed. Corolla-tube cylindric, contracted at the mouth; limb 2-lipped, the upper short bifid, the lower longer, 3-lobed. Stamens 2 perfect included, the anthers 2-celled connivent; the others reduced to staminodes. Disk shortly cylindric. Ovary ovoid, glabrous, 1-celled; placentas intruded, of 2 thick plates bearing numerous ovules on all sides; style linear; stigma minutely 2-lobed. Fruit a membranous loculicidal 2-valved capsule. Seeds minute, ellipsoid; testa reticulate.

RHYNCOGLOSSUM OBLIQUUM, Bl.; F. B. I. iv. 367. Var. parviflora,

C. B. Clarke.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill, Ganjam, 4,000 ft. (Fischer); W. Coast and W. Gháts from S. Canara to Cochin, up to 3,000 ft.,

in damp places in evergreen forests.

A succulent herb with blue flowers, similar to Klugia Notoniana but usually smaller and with the calyx not winged. Leaves oblong lanceolate acuminate, parallel-nerved, very unequal at base.

## 5. Jerdonia, Wight.

A scapigerous herb, from a thick scarred root-stock. Leaves crowded at the base, elliptic, reticulate, long-petioled. Flowers in slender few-flowered scapes; bracts small. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes lanceolate, long-pilose. Corolla-tube elongate, swollen upwards; limb oblique, 2-lipped, upper lip emarginate, lower 3-lobed. Stamens 4 perfect; filaments dilated, the lower pair with a descending spur; anthers 2-celled, cohering at their apices. Disk cup-shaped. Ovary ovoid; placentas 2, each of 2 flat plates bearing ovules on both faces; style linear; stigma peltate. Fruit an ovoid, loculicidal, 2-valved villous capsule with 4 many-seeded placentas. Seeds funicled, ellipsoid, grooved at the sides.

Jerdonia indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1352; F. B. I. iv. 368.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Anamalai Hills, at about 3,000 ft., in damp

evergreen forests; Bolampatti Hills of Coimbatore.

A scapigerous herb with pale lilac corolla marked with red lines, and long petioled rusty-villous leaves up to 2.5 in. long, 2 in. broad, with about 5 pairs of arching nerves and prominent reti-

#### 6. Epithema, Blume.

Small succulent pubescent herbs; stem simple or branched. Leaves few, alternate or opposite. Flowers small, in dense pedunculate scorpioid cymes; bract large, solitary, hooded or subspathaceous; bracteoles small, narrow; pedicels very short. Calyx campanulate; lobes 5, acute, valvate in bud. Corolla small, tubular, 2-lipped, lobes 5, subequal. Stamens 4, 2 upper perfect, the anthers 2-celled, cohering, the cells short, soon confluent; 2 lower reduced to staminodes. Disk one-sided. Ovary ovoid, 1-celled; placentas parietal, stalked, peltate, with ovules on all sides; style filiform; stigma small. Fruit a globose membranous capsule included in the calyx and dehiscing circumcissly; placentas T-shaped. Seeds very numerous, on slender funicles, oblong, acute at both ends; testa usually spirally striate.

EPITHEMA CARNOSUM, Benth.; F. B. Í. iv. 369. Var. hispida, C. B.

Clarke. E. ceylanicum, Wt. Ic. t. 1354, not of Gardn.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris to Tinnevelly Hills, on shaded rocks, at low levels.

A small herb with bluish flowers and leaves of variable size sometimes up to 5 in. in diam. and broadly ovate cordate.

#### 7. Isanthera, Nees.

Small undershrubs; almost all parts tawny-silkily woolly. Leaves alternate, large, oblanceolate, long-petioled. Flowers in axillary peduncled cymes towards the end of the stem; bracts narrow. Calyx of 5 narrow lobes extending nearly to the base. Corolla small, shortly campanulate, scarcely 2-lipped; lobes 5, ovate. Stamens 4 perfect, adnate to the base of the corolla; filaments short; anthers 1-celled, dehiscing marginally, in an arch; staminodes usually absent. Disk small, annular. Ovary ovoid; placentas 2, recurved and bearing many ovules; style short; stigma small, capitate. Fruit an ovoid fleshy indehiscent berry; placentas large, the margin recurved vertically. Seeds very small, ellipsoid; testa smooth or slightly wrinkled.

ISANTHERA PERMOLLIS, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 372; Wt. Ic. t. 1355. W. Gháts, S. E. Wynaad and Malabar slopes at 2,000—3,000 ft.;

hills of Tinnevelly, in moist places in evergreen forests.

An erect undershrub with smooth pale brown bark under soft tawny wool, small white flowers and large softly tawny-villous leaves up to 10 in. long, 4 in. broad, long decurrent on a long petiole, the conspicuous parallel nerves about 20 pairs.

## Family CXI. BIGNONIACEAE.

Trees or shrubs, sometimes climbing, rarely herbs. Leaves opposite, rarely alternate or whorled, 1—3 times odd-pinnate, very rarely simple; leaflets entire or sometimes toothed. Flowers hermaphrodite, irregular, in racemes or panicles usually terminal, often large and showy; bracts various. Calyx gamosepalous, campanulate or spathaceous; lobes 2—5 or 0, valvate. Corolla 2-lipped, tubular-ventricose; lobes 5, subequal, imbricate in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, with often

a 5th usually imperfect, rarely perfect; inserted where the corollatube is suddenly swollen; filaments glabrous or hairy at base; anthers 2-celled, the cells parallel or divergent, dehiscing longitudinally. *Disk* usually thick or annular. *Ovary* subsessile, 2-celled; ovules numerous, in many rows, anatropous; style long, glabrous; stigma of 2 elliptic lobes. *Fruit* a usually elongate loculicidally or septicidally 2-valved capsule, the septum enlarging, deciduous with the placentas. *Seeds* compressed, discoid or trigonous, usually prominently winged, the embryo in an interior membranous testa; albumen 0; cotyledons flattened, sometimes folded.

Perfect stamens 5; a tree with 2—3-pinnate leaves and very large flat capsules

1. Oroxylum.

Perfect stamens 4; trees:—

Capsule not winged, cylindric flattened or subquadrangular:-

Capsule with a cylindric spongy septum:—
Septum prominently pitted, the seeds trigonous, transversely grooved without, the inner edge fitting into the pit; ovules 2-seriate in each cell

#### 1. Oroxylum, Vent.

A glabrous tree. Leaves large, opposite, 2—3-pinnate; leaflets entire. Flowers large, in long terminal racemes. Calyx large, leathery, campanulate, the limb truncate or obscurely toothed. Corolla large, fleshy, campanulate; lobes 5, subequal, crisped. Stamens 5 perfect, the posterior one the shortest; filaments inserted near the base of the tube; anthers 2-celled, the cells parallel, oblong. Disk large, cushion-like. Ovary subsessile, contracted at the base, compressed; ovules very many; style slender; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a very large broadly linear septifragally 2-valved capsule, compressed parallel to the septum. Seeds very many, flattened, surrounded by a broad hyaline papery wing; cotyledons emarginate.

OROXYLUM INDICUM, Vent.; F. B. I. iv. 378. Calosanthes indica, Bl.; Wt. Ic. t. 1337.

Most Forest Districts, chiefly in moist places in deciduous forest; in evergreen forests in Travancore (Bourdillon) up to 2,000 ft. A small conspicuous but ungainly tree, at once known by the 2—3-pinnate large leaves and the flat capsule, which may reach 3 ft. in length. Bark light brownish-grey, greenish when cut; wood yellowish-white, soft, not used. Vern. Hind. Ullu, Sauna; Ur. Pomponia; Tel. Pampini, Pampana; Tam. Achi, Pana, Pei; Mal. Palaga-paiyani; Kan. Bunepalé.

### 2. Millingtonia, Linn. f.

A tall tree with corky bark. Leaves opposite, 2—3-pinnate, the leaflets entire or crenate. Flowers in terminal corymbose panicles. Calyx small, campanulate, truncate or with 5 short teeth. Corolla white; tube long, slender; limb obscurely bilabiate; lobes 5, subequal. Stamens 4, didynamous, shortly exsert; anthers 1-celled, the second cell rudimentary, hooked. Disk annular. Ovary subsessile, cylindric-conical; ovules many 1- or more-seriate; style slender; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit an elongate linear capsule compressed parallel to the septum, septicidally 2-valved. Seeds very many, flattened, with a broad hyaline wing.

MILLINGTONIA HORTENSIS, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 377; Bedd. Fl. t. 249 (except anthers). Bignonia suberosa, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 214.

Plains Districts, planted in avenues and gardens and often found run wild. It is said to have come from Burma. Indian Cork Tree.

A tall handsome tree with sweet-scented flowers. Bark thick corky; wood soft, yellowish-white, likely to be useful as a "deal." The tree reproduces well both by seed and by suckers. Vern. Hind. Akao-nim'; Tam. Kat malli; Tel. Kavuki.

#### 3. Dolichandrone, Fenzl.

Trees. Leaves opposite, pinnate, the leaflets entire or obscurely toothed. Flowers few, opening at night, usually white, large or moderate-sized, in terminal corymbs or panicles. Calyx spathaceous, cleft to the base on one side. Corolla-tube long or short; lobes 5, nearly equal, crisped on the margin. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers glabrous, the cells parallel. Disk annular. Ovary sessile; ovules numerous, many-seriate; style long; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a long subterete or compressed capsule, loculicidally 2-valved; the septum narrow with a transverse false septum, making seemingly 4 cells. Seeds much compressed, almost rectangular, with broad wings on each side; cotyledons usually broader than long, emarginate.

about 2 in. in diam.; seeds with membranous wings:—

Corolla more than 1.5 in. long, usually 2 in.; calyx-spathe with a recurved point; capsule arcuate with conspicuous speckles, only slightly compressed, 12 in. or more long:—

Glabrous or nearly so, leaflets usually 5 rarely 7, ovate, acuminate, nerves about 5—7 pairs, petiolules 3—6 in long, that of end-leaflet longer

1. Dolichandrone spathacea, K. Schum.; Sprague in Kew Bull. 1919, 304. D. Rheedii, Seem.; F. B. I. iv. 379. Spathodea Rheedii, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 1339.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, on the banks of rivers and

backwaters.

A moderate-sized deciduous tree with beautiful white flowers which are open at night and then fall off. Wood white, soft. Vern. *Tam.* Vilpadri; *Mal.* Nir pongilium.

2. Dolichandrone atrovirens, Sprague in Kew Bull. 1919, 304. D.

crispa, Seem.; F. B. I. iv. 379.

Deccan, in the Ceded Districts, eastwards to the hills of Nellore, south to Tinnevelly and S. Travancore, in dry deciduous forests, up to 3,000 ft.

A moderate-sized tree with pretty white flowers. Bark brown, rough; wood yellowish-brown, useful. Vern. Tel. Nironddi;

Tam. Pumbadri.

3. Dolichandrone arcuata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 380. Spathodea arcuata, Wt. Ic. t. 1340.

Deccan, in Kurnool, Mysore and Coimbatore, in dry deciduous

forest, west to Palghát.

A moderate-sized tree, with flowers rather larger than in the last. Bark brown, peeling off in flakes; wood white. Vern. *Tam.* Ran palai.

Dolichandrone falcata, Seem.; F. B. I. iv. 380. Bignonia spathacea, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 144. Spathodea falcata, Wall.; Bedd. Fl. t. 71.

N. Circars, in Vizagapatam and Upper Godavari; Deccan, in Hyderabad, Mysore, and all other Districts; Carnatic, Nellore to S. Arcot, Shevaroy Hills, Sirumalai Hills in Madura, in dry deciduous forests, often on rocky slopes.

A small deciduous tree with white flowers. Bark bluish grey, exfoliating in scales; wood white, hard and close-grained, useful. Vern. *Tel.* Udda, Wodi, Chittivadi; *Tam.* Katuvarsana; *Kan.* Wudige.

Var. Lawii, Sprague in Kew Bull. 1919, 308. Nearly or quite glabrous, the leaflets more ovate, with a short point and not emarginate, the nerves 5 pairs.

Dry forest lands in Cuddapah (Gamble).

# 4. Heterophragma, DC.

Trees. Leaves large, pinnate. Flowers large, in terminal woolly panicles. Calyx ovoid and closed when young, afterwards campanulate, irregularly 3—5-lobed. Corolla tubular-ventricose, rose white or yellow, glabrous or tomentose without; lobes 5, rounded, subequal. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anthers glabrous, the cells linear-oblong, diverging. Disk cushion-shaped. Ovary sessile; ovules numerous, many-seriate on each placenta; style long; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit an elongate cylindric or more or less compressed, falcate or twisted, loculicidally 2-valved, capsule, the dissepiment flat or 4-angular. Seeds compressed, with a membranous wing at each end.

HETEROPHRAGMA ROXBURGHII, DC.; F. B. I. iv. 381. Bignonia. quadrilocularis, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 145.

N. Circars, forests of the Godavari banks at low levels; W. Gháts,

hills of S. Canara, in deciduous forest areas.

A large tree with fragrant rose-coloured flowers, densely tomentose calyx, imparipinnate leaves with 7-11 leaflets and narrowly oblong capsules up to 1 ft. long. Wood yellowish-white, hard. Vern. Tel. Bondgu; Tam. Baro-kala-goru.

H. adenophyllum, Seem., is a Burmese species with large brownish-

vellow flowers frequently found in gardens in cultivation.

#### 5. Stereospermum, Cham.

Trees. Leaves opposite, imparipinnate; leaflets entire or toothed. Flowers in large lax terminal panicles. Calyx campanulate, truncate or shortly and unequally 5-lobed. Corolla tubular-campanulate, curved, 2-lipped, the upper lip 2- the lower 3-lobed; lobes nearly equal, rounded crisped toothed or laciniate. Stamens 4 didynamous with a 5th rudimentary, included; anthers glabrous, the cells divergent. Ovary sessile, elongate, 2-celled; ovules numerous, biseriate in each cell; style slender; stigmas 2. Disk cupular, fleshy. Fruit an elongate terete or 4-angled capsule, loculicidally 2-valved; septum thick, corky, cylindrical, pitted in alternating cavities to receive the seeds, the wings of which lie flat along it. Seeds trigonous, with a transverse groove without and a prominent ridge within; cotyledons folded, 2-lobed; radicle straight.

Filaments of the stamens with a tuft of woolly hair at the base; leaves and panicles nearly or quite glabrous, the leaflets elliptic, suddenly and long caudateacuminate at apex; capsule slender, somewhat spirally twisted, 4-angled

1. tetragonum. Filaments of the stamens without a tuft of woolly hair at the base though some-

times villous; leaves and panicles more or less pubescent:—
Petiolules of leaflets very short, scarcely 1 in. long, leaflets broadly elliptic, shortly abruptly acuminate, often serrulate when young, rough; capsule rather Petiolules of leaflets longer, up to 4 in. long, leaflets oblong or oblong-lanceolate, acuminate, pubescent beneath even when old; capsule slender, terete, lenticellate, often curved..... .....3. angustifolium.

1. Stereospermum tetragonum, DC. S. chelonoides, C. B. Clarke, F. B. I. iv. 382; Wt. Ic. t. 1341; Bedd. Fl. t. 72, not of DC.

Deccan, Nallamalai Hills, Veligonda Hills of Nellore (Ramaswami); W. Gháts, in all Districts, up to about 3,000 ft., chiefly

in deciduous forests.

A large tree with yellow flowers veined with red, the capsules up to 2 ft. long. Bark brown; wood hard, greyish brown with darker patches, very little used in S. India. Vern. Hind. Padri; Ur. Patuli; Tel. Pisul, Tagada; Tam. Vela-padri, Pombathiri; Mal. Karingkura.

2. Stereospermum suaveolens, DC.; F. B. I. iv. 382; Wt. Ic. t. 1342. N. Circars and Deccan, in deciduous forests; W. Gháts, also in deciduous forests, in the hills of Mysore, Malabar and Travan-

core. scarce.

A large tree with dull crimson flowers, and rather thick straight capsules up to 18 in. long. Bark grey, exfoliating in flat scales; wood hard, yellowish-brown, useful for many purposes but little used. Vern. *Hind.* Padal; *Tam.* Padri; *Tel.* Kala goru; *Mar.* Parúl; *Kan.* Billa.

3. Stereospermum angustifolium, Haines in Kew Bull. 1922, 121.
N. Circars, near Vizagapatam (Barber); Deccan, Hyderabad Forests (Edwards).
A small tree.

## 6. Radermachera, Zoll. & Moritz.

Trees. Leaves opposite, 1—3-pinnate, leaflets petiolulate, entire. Flowers large, in terminal racemes, corymbs or panicles. Calyx campanulate, truncate or shortly lobed. Corolla funnel-shaped or campanulate; tube short; limb sub-bilabiate, the lobes spreading, rounded. Stamens 4, didynamous, with a rudimentary fifth, included; filaments slender; anther-cells divaricate. Ovary cylindrical, 2-celled; ovules very numerous, in many rows in each cell; style slender; stigma linguiform. Fruit an elongate, often twisted capsule; valves 2, woody; septum spongy, faintly pitted and bearing on each side a double row of seeds. Seeds small, flat, with a membranous wing at each end; cotyledons flat, not folded; internal testa thin; radicle minute.

RADERMACHERA XYLOCARPA, K. Schum. Stereospermum xylocarpum, Benth. & Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 383. Bignonia xylocarpa, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. tt. 1335, 6; Bedd. Fl. t. 70. Spathodea xylocarpa, Brand. For. Fl.

t. 43.

N. Circars, hills of Godavari; Deccan, hilly country as at Horsley-konda, Ramandrúg, etc., up to 4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, dry forests

in all Districts.

A large deciduous tree with large bipinnate leaves, fragrant flowers in corymbs, a white corolla tinged with yellow or pink, and a long very woody cylindric prominently tubercular capsule sometimes up to 3 ft. long and 1.5 in. in diam. Bark light grey; wood very hard, orange-brown, tough, used for furniture, cartpoles and other purposes. Vern. Tam. Vadencarni, Pathiri; Mar. Khansing; Mal. Vedangkonnai.

## 7. Pajanelia, DC.

A tree. Leaves imparipinnate; leaflets numerous, entire, unequal at base. Flowers large, in large terminal thyrsoid panicles. Calyx large, ovoid, closed in bud, in flower ventricose-campanulate; lobes 5. Corolla large, tubular-ventricose; lobes 5, subequal, crisped on the margins. Stamens 4, didynamous, with a rudimentary fifth, sub-exsert; filaments slender; anther-cells linear, divergent. Disk annular. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many-seriate on each placenta; style long; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a large, narrowly oblong, compressed, winged capsule, loculicidally 2-valved, the septum contrary to the valves. Seeds compressed, with hyaline wings; cotyledons emarginate.

Pajanelia Rheedii, Wt. Ic. tt. 1343, 44; F. B. I. iv. 384.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, up to 2,000 ft. in the W. Gháts forests (Beddome); much planted as a support for the

pepper plant (Bourdillon).

A large deciduous tree in the forests, moderate-sized in plantations, having leaves with 13—15 large leaflets, a large capsule sometimes nearly 2 ft. long with broad wings and corollas 2.5 in. long, white in the tube, crimson-purple on the lobes (Bourd. Trees Trav. 278). Bark pale grey, shining, rough; wood sometimes used for dugout canoes in Travancore. Vern. Tam. Aranthal; Mal. Arlantha, Payani.

Several interesting species of this Family, trees or erect or climbing shrubs, have been introduced and cultivated. The most common of these are:

Markhamia stipulata, Seem. (Dolichandrone stipulata, Benth. and Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 379), a tree from Burma, with yellowish-brown tomentose leaves and inflorescence, the corolla purple inside.

Spathodea campanulata, Beauv., a tree, introduced from Tropical

Africa, with large orange-scarlet flowers, the calyx spathaceous.

Kigelia pinnata, DC., a small tree, introduced from Tropical Africa,

with pendulous racemes of large red flowers and a long-stalked large gourd-like fruit.

Stenolobium stans, D. Don, a large West Indian shrub with golden-

yellow flowers, common in gardens.

Pyrostegia ignea, Presl, a large climbing shrub, native of Brazil, commonly cultivated in gardens, and conspicuous for its showy racemes of orange-red flowers.

### Family CXII. PEDALIACEAE.

Herbs, rarely undershrubs. Leaves opposite or the upper alternate, entire toothed or lobed; stipules 0. Flowers irregular, hermaphrodite, solitary or rarely clustered or racemose, usually axillary; bracts 0 or minute. Calyx usually deeply 4—5-lobed. Corolla tubular-ventricose; limb 5-lobed, obscurely 2-lipped; lobes imbricate. Stamens 4, didynamous, rarely 2. Disk hypogynous, fleshy. Ovary 2- rarely 1-celled, ovules many or few, superposed; style filiform; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit drupaceous or capsular. Seeds exalbuminous.

Flowers axillary; stamens 4, didynamous, perfect:—
Fruit indehiscent, with 4 spines on the margin; seeds 2 in each cell

### 1. Pedalium, Linn.

A glabrous annual. Leaves opposite or alternate, repand-dentate. Flowers axillary, solitary, yellow; pedicels short, 2-glandular at the base. Calyx small, 5-partite. Corolla-tube slender below, enlarged above: limb sub-bilabiate; lobes 5, round, spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, with a 5th rudimentary; anther-cells ovate, pendulous, opening by short slits. Disk large, oblique. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2 in each cell; style slender; stigma 2-lobed, the lower the smaller. Fruit hard, indehiscent, 2-celled; the upper part ovoid obtuse above, tetragonous

below with sharp conical spines at the angles. Seeds 2 in each cell, superposed, pendulous, oblong; testa membranous, produced; cotyledons oblong.

PEDALIUM MUREX, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 386; Wt. Ic. t. 1615.

E. Coast from the Chilka Lake southwards, on sandy shores; inland in the Carnatic, Coimbatore (Wight, etc.), Trichinopoly (King).

A branching sub-fleshy herb with minute glands, badly smelling, the leaves glaucous green, ovate, repand, long-petioled, the fruits spinous. The whole plant is used in medicine, and renders water or milk mucilaginous. Vern. *Ur.* Gokara; *Tam.* Anai-nerinji.

#### 2. Sesamum, Linn.

Erect or prostrate herbs. Leaves opposite below, alternate above, entire toothed lobed or divided. Flowers axillary solitary or few and fascicled, shortly pedicelled. Calyx small, 5-partite. Corolla tubular-ventricose, slightly gibbous at base, 2-lipped, the upper lip usually the smaller, often a ring of hairs at the base inside below the stamens. Stamens 4, didynamous, included; anther-cells oblong, parallel. Disk annular. Ovary 2-celled, with false septa making it 4-celled when mature; ovules many, 1-seriate in each cell; style filiform; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong or ovoid capsule, loculicidally 2-valved, 4-chambered. Seeds many, obliquely oblong or obovate, sub-compressed; cotyledons elliptic-oblong.

Leaves variable, from elliptic or orbicular in outline and deeply pinnatifid to spathulate and coarsely lobed, 1—2 in. long, grey- hispid-pubescent; flowers 1—1.5 in. long; capsule 6 in. long, 3 in. broad, obtuse and apiculate

- 1. Sesamum indicum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 387; Wt. Ill. t. 163.
  - All districts, in the plains and lower hills, largely cultivated and often found run wild on road sides and waste land. Gingelly. An erect annual up to 2 ft. high, branching from the base, the seeds obovate, smooth, margined, black or white. The seeds give a valuable oil, used for cooking, for lamps and for many other purposes and largely exported. Vern. *Hind*. Til; *Tel*. Nuvvulu; *Tam*. Yellu cheddi.
- 2. Sesamum laciniatum, Klein; F. B. I. iv. 387; Wt. Ic. t. 1345.

  Deccan, in Cuddapah and Kurnool; Carnatic, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput, usually on dry rocky ground.

A stout herb with many prostrate branching stems from a stout central rootstock, the flowers dark purple, the seeds black and deeply reticulate.

3. Sesamum prostratum, Retz; F. B. I. iv. 387; Wt. Ic. t. 1346.

E. Coast from the Kistna southwards, on sandhills near the

sea; inland at Bangalore (Cleghorn) and near Coimbatore (Fischer) on dry sandy lands; Kambakam Hill in Chingleput (Bourne).

A prostrate herb with long trailing branches from a thick tap-

root, the flowers purple, the seeds black and reticulate.

Martynia annua, Linn., the Tiger-claw plant, is a coarse clammy pubescent herb with handsome large rose-coloured blotched flowers, large deltoid-ovate cordate leaves and a curious fruit with 2 sharp anterior hooks. It is common on roadsides, rubbish heaps and waste places. It is a native of Mexico.

### Family CXIII. ACANTHACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, rarely trees. Leaves opposite, usually entire, usually lineolate with prominent raphides; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, usually irregular, in cymes racemes or spikes rarely solitary; bracts large or small, sometimes 0; bracteoles usually 2. Calyx 5rarely 4-partite (in Thunbergia small, often multifid). Corolla 2-lipped or subequally 5-lobed; lobes imbricate or twisted in bud. Stamens 4 or 2, inserted on the corolla-tube, sometimes a staminode 5th; anthers 2- or 1-celled, the cells sometimes remote. Disk often conspicuous. Ovary superior, 2-celled; ovules 1 or more in each cell, in one or two series, anatropous; style simple; stigma usually 2-lobed, the lobes often unequal. Fruit a loculicidal capsule, the valves often elastically recurved, the septum splitting. Seeds usually hard, attached, except in a few genera, to upcurved supports (retinacula), ovoid or compressed, the testa smooth or rugose or clothed with appressed hairs which are often elastic and spread out when wetted; albumen none or rarely scanty; cotyledons usually flattened.

ecds not supported on retinacula; leaves not lineolate:—  Climbers; flowers usually large; ovules 2 in each cell, collateral:—  Calyx minute, annular or 10—15-toothed
Erect or prostrate plants; flowers usually small; ovules more than 2 in each
cell:—
Calyx 4-partite; stamens 2:— Bracts rigid; peduncle of spike covered with alternate scales3. Elytraria.
Bracts herbaceous; peduncle of spike without scales or 04. Nelsonia.
Calyx 5-partite; stamens 4
eeds supported on retinacula:—
Retinacula minute, straight; lower leaves often toothed or pinnatifid  6. Cardanthera.
Retinacula hooked:—
Corolla without an upper lip, the lower lip large, expanded, 3-lobed:—
Lower filaments with an excurrent process
Lower filaments without an excurrent process
Corolla 2-lipped or with 5 subequal lobes:—
Corolla-lobes twisted to the left in bud:—
Ovules more than 2 in each cell; the capsule normally 6- or more seeded:—
Corolla distinctly 2-lipped:—
Inflorescence spinous; capsule 2—8-seeded
Corolla subequally 5-lobed:—
Colonia Subcquary 5-100cu.

Capsule clavate with a solid base.....

	Consula good hearing from the base.
	Capsule seed-bearing from the base:—  Flowers capitate or axillary, subsessile
	Flowers in clusters in terminal panicles13. Stenosiphonium
	Ovules 2 in each cell; the capsule 4- or fewer-seeded:—
	Placentas separating elastically from the base of the ripe capsule:-
	Bracteoles very large, reticulate; corolla large14. Petalidium.
	Bracteoles none; corolla small
	Placentas not separating elastically from the base of the ripe capsule:-
	Anthers minutely mucronate at base; stamens 416. Dyschoriste.
	Anthers not spurred at the base:— Corolla subequally 5-lobed:—
	Stamens 2; corolla-tube long and linear
	Stamens 4 or 2; corolla-tube usually short and cylindric below,
	ventricose above
	Corolla deeply 2-lipped; stamens 4
C	orolla-lobes imbricate in bud:—
	Ovules 3—10 in each cell; capsule normally 6- or more-seeded:—
	Capsule compressed at right angles to the septum; seeds ovoid hardly
	compressed:—  Flowers in panicled often unilateral racemes, without axillary cladodes
	20. Andrographis.
	Flowers clustered in the midst of axillary cladodes21. Haplanthus.
	Capsule subterete: seed much compressed:—
	Corolla-tube slender, the limb shortly 2-lipped22. Gymnostachyum. Corolla-tube short, the limb deeply 2-lipped23. Diotacanthus.
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	Ovules 2 or rarely 1 in each cell:—
	Corolla-lobes 5, subequal:—
	Anthers 1-celled; 2 inner calyx-lobes smaller than the outer 24. Crossandra.
	Anthers 2-celled:—
	Calyx 4-partite, the anterior lobe of the outer pair more or less
	bifid; 2 stamens only fully perfect
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	pair perfect the other imperfect
	Calyx 5-partite:—
	Stamens 4; corolla-tube cylindric below, inflated above
	27. Asystasia. Stamens 2; corolla-tube long and slender, limb spreading
	28. Pseuderanthemum.
	Corolla distinctly 2-lipped:—
	Stamens 4, anthers 2-celled; bracts conspicuous, often spinous
	29. Lepidagathis.
	Stamens 2:—
	Anthers 1-celled; bracts and bracteoles linear-setaceous
	Anthora 2 called:
	Anthers 2-celled:— Placentas separating elastically from the valves, from the base:—
	Bracts in 1-sided spikes, some of the rows barren31. Rungia.
	Bracts clustered in the leaf-axils or laxly cymose32. Dicliptera.
	Placentas not separating elastically from the valves:
	Anther-cells parallel, subequal; bracts large, imbricate
	33. Ecbolium.
	Anther cells one higher up than the other:—
	Anther-cells with a white basal spur-like appendage
	Anther-cells not appendaged spur-like at base:—
	Anther-cells minutely apiculate at base; bracts large
	35. Adhatoda.
	Anther-cells muticous; capsule at base stalked:—
	Corolla-tube short, limb small36. Dianthera.
	Corolla-tube long and slender, the upper lip linear-oblong,
	the lower broad; bracts and bracteoles small; corolla
	white
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Corolla-tube slender, often twisted; bracts larger than bracteoles in opposite pairs; corolla rose or purple

### 1. Thunbergia, Linn. f.

Climbers, rarely erect. Leaves opposite, often cordate hastate or angular palminerved. Flowers axillary or in racemes, large or moderatesized; bracts at the base of the pedicels leaf-like; bracteoles large, enclosing the flower buds. Calyx small, annular or 10-16-toothed or obscure. Corolla conspicuous, the tube cylindric or ventricose, curved, the limb oblique; lobes 5, twisted to the left in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, inserted near the base of the corolla-tube; anthers 2-celled. the cells parallel, sometimes spurred at the base. Disk annular or cushion-like. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long; stigma funnel-shaped 2-lobed or entire, or style bifid with capitate stigmas. Fruit a capsule, globose below, suddenly narrowed to a barren swordshaped beak. Seeds 2 in each cell, globose, the base hollowed or flattened, the funicle minute or conic, no retinacula.

capsule villous, the beak slender..... Flowers in racemes, the lower ones often axillary; calyx an entire or slightly

crenulate ring:-Flowers bright yellow or orange, the tube purplish, in long pendent racemes; anthers bearded and with a long slender spur to each cell; leaves lanceolate, acuminate, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, sometimes ovate and up to 3 in. broad, slightly dentate, prominently 3-ribbed and coarsely reticulate, glabrous

Flowers pale blue:-Racemes long, pendent, the bracteoles very prominent, orbicular-cordate, mucronate, about 1 in. in diam. and usually 7-ribbed; anthers glabrous with a long spur to each cell; leaves elliptic-ovate, long-acuminate, up to 5 in. long, 4 in. broad, repand-dentate, 5-ribbed and reticulate.......5. Wightiana. Racemes stout, rather dense-flowered, with flowers also in upper axils, solitary or in pairs; bracteoles elliptic-falcate about 1.25 in. long; anthers bearded and spurred; leaves deeply cordate, angular, about 5 in. in diam...grandiflora.

1. Thunbergia fragrans, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 67; F. B. I. iv. 390. All Districts, but especially on the E. side, up to about 4,000 ft., in the hills, both the species and the varieties laevis and vestita. A slender twiner with variable leaves, the end branches having them rather narrow and oblong lanceolate, the flowers not

Var. laevis, C. B. Clarke. Calyx-tube rather long and stiff, nearly glabrous, the teeth short; leaves thin and reticulate; pedicels often much thickened.

Var. vestita, C. B. Clarke. Calvx-tube short, teeth linear, very villous; leaves thick, tawny-villous, often tomentose.

Var. hispida, Gamble. Stems and leaves hispid, sometimes nearly strigose; leaves broadly ovate, subcordate, apiculate, repand; bracteoles large; calyx teeth villous.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri in Ganjam (Fischer), Vantabla in

Vizagapatam (A. W. Lushington), about 4,000 ft.

2. Thunbergia tomentosa, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 391.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, at 5,000—6,500 ft. (Wight and others), at Coonoor (Meebold); Sirumalai Hills of Madura. A slender climber with prominent large ovate bracteoles, slender cylindric corolla-tube 1.25 in. long and large rounded lobes, the mature leaves reticulately nerved and with long basal

3. Thunbergia alata, Bojer Ex. Sims Bot. Mag. t. 2591; F. B. I.

z. 391

Most Districts, cultivated in gardens and apparently run wild in places in the W. Gháts, native of Tropical Africa.

A slender climber.

4. Thunbergia Mysorensis, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 393. Hexacentris mysorensis, Wt. Ic. t. 871.

W. Gháts, S. Canara and Mysore to Travancore and Tinnevelly,

up to 3,000 ft.

An extensive glabrous climber with long slender branches, the flowers pendent with long open corolla-lip, the bracteoles ovate-oblong, purplish-green.

5. THUNBERGIA WIGHTIANA, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 393. Schmidia

bicolor, Wt. Ic. t. 1848.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, W. side, below Sispara, about 5,000 ft. A large climber with long pendent branches, the conspicuous bracteoles 2-coloured, half red and half green.

Thunbergia grandiflora, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 392; Wt. Ic. t. 872 is a large and beautiful blue-flowered climber, native of Eastern Bengal, frequently grown in gardens. T. erecta, T. And., is an erect shrub about 6 ft. high with purple or white flowers, a native of Tropical Africa, often grown in gardens.

## 2. Meyenia, Nees.

A climber. Leaves opposite, coriaceous. Flowers large, usually solitary, axillary, pedicellate; bracteoles large, ovato-oblong. Calyx small, obscurely 5-lobed. Corolla funnel-shaped, the throat gradually enlarged; lobes 5 spreading, subequal. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthers bearded at the apex, those of the longer pair with unequal cells, one long and narrow, the others spurred at the base, those of the shorter with subequal cells, not spurred, pollen-grains grimped on the margins. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style slender; stigma 2-lobed, each lobe with a fold behind. Fruit a capsule, swollen at the base, with a broad conical beak, 4-seeded. Seeds subglobose, the funicle in a small cavity, no retinacula; cotyledons unequal.

MEYENIA HAWTAYNEANA, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1487. Thunbergia Hawtayneana, Wall. Pl. As. Rar. t. 164; F. B. I. iv. 391.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country, up to 4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, from S. Canara to Nilgiris and Pulneys, on E. slopes chiefly, in dry country.

A small climbing shrub with slender branches, beautiful bluepurple flowers and ovate acute sessile reticulate leaves up to 4.5 in. long, 2 in. broad.

## 3. Elytraria, Vahl.

Herbs, nearly stemless. Leaves alternate, crowded, subradical. Flowers small, in close rigid, simple or branched, spikes, the scapes closely covered by spirally imbricate bracts, the upper ones larger and flower-bearing; bracteoles small. Calyx 4-partite, the segments unequal. Corolla-tube linear; limb 2-lipped; lobes 5, the lower longest, imbricate in bud. Stamens 2 perfect; anthers elliptic, the cells parallel, sometimes with a minute spur. Disk small. Ovary oblong, 2-celled; ovules 6—10, superposed, in each cell; style slender; stigma shortly 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong acute capsule. Seeds small, reticulate, not on retinacula; cotyledons small, round.

ELYTRARIA ACAULIS, Lindau. E. crenata, Vahl; F. B. I. iv. 394.

Justicia acaulis, Linn. f.; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 127.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry Districts, in grassy lands

and open forest undergrowth.

A scapigerous herb with small white flowers on long bracteate scapes, the leaves obovate, crenate, obtuse, up to 8 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, the bases surrounded by woolly hairs.

## 4. Nelsonia, R. Br.

Diffuse softly villous herbs. Leaves opposite, entire, subequal. Flowers small, in dense short spikes with many ovate closely imbricate glandular villous bracts; bracteoles 0. Calyx small, 4-partite; lobes unequal, lanceolate, the larger often bifid. Corolla small; tube slender; limb 2-lipped; lobes spreading, obtuse. Stamens 2, attached above the middle of the corolla-tube; anthers 2-celled, the cells ellipsoid, divergent, muticous or minutely spurred. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 8—10 in each cell; style slender; stigma shortly 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong, acute capsule, the lower part seed-bearing only. Seeds small, subglobose, granular, no retinacula.

Nelsonia campestris, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 394.

N. Circars, in undergrowth of deciduous fruit; W. Gháts, Mysore,

Malabar and Travancore, at low levels.

A soft trailing herb with purplish flowers, the lower leaves large, oblong, up to 9 in. long, 2 in. broad, long-petioled, the upper ones much smaller and often sessile.

## 5. Staurogyne, Wall.

Herbs or small undershrubs. Leaves opposite, rarely alternate, usually petioled with smaller leaves in the axils. Flowers small, in terminal or also axillary, simple or compound, lax or dense, spikes or racemes; bracts small or large and leafy; bracteoles 2, small. Calyx

deeply 5-partite; segments linear or oblong, subequal or one larger than the others. Corolla-tube cylindric or funnel-shaped; limb 2-lipped; lobes 5, short, spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, included, with sometimes a minute staminodial fifth; filaments hairy; anthers with 2 ovoid separate muticous cells. Disk small. Ovary oblong, 2-celled; ovules numerous; style slender; stigma of 2 narrow lobes, one often again 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong capsule with many seeds, seed-bearing throughout. Seeds many, globose, smooth or pitted, the hilum hollowed, no retinacula.

1. Staurogyne Glauca, O. Kze. Ebermaiera glauca, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 395; Wt. Ic. t. 1488. E. ligulata, Bedd. Ic. t. 245.

N. Circars, in Ganjam (Gamble); Deccan, in Kurnool, Nallamalai Hills (Beddome); W. Gháts, Coorg to Travancore, in wet places.

An erect viscous herb with purplish flowers, striped rose or

yellow.

2. Staurogyne Zeylanica, O. Kze. Ebermaiera zeylanica, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 397.

Deccan, in Mysore; W. Gháts from S. Canara to Travancore, not common.

A herb of wet places in the forests with trailing branches.

## 6. Cardanthera, Buch.-Ham.

Aromatic, often viscid herbs. Leaves opposite, often lineolate, the upper toothed, rarely entire, the lower often pinnatifid, or if submerged, pectinate. Flowers in spikes or axillary whorls or 1—3 in the leaf-axils; bracts and bracteoles foliaceous, but often suppressed. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes narrow, often unequal. Corolla-tube straight; limb 2-lipped, the upper erect, 2-lobed, the lower 3-lobed with a transversely plaited palate. Stamens 4, didynamous, anthers of the posterior pair often smaller, cells parallel. Ovary narrow, 2-celled; ovules many; style slender; stigma linear, bent. Fruit a narrow 2-celled capsule, many-seeded throughout. Seeds very many, small, ovoid; retinacula minute, conical, straight.

- 1. CARDANTHERA ULIGINOSA, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 403.
  - N. Circars, Ganjam (Gamble), Godavari in sugar-cane gardens (Bourne); Carnatic, near Madras, in drying rice-fields (Wight); W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 800 ft. (Fischer).

An erect or decumbent branching annual herb with purplish (?)

2. CARDANTHERA BALSAMICA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 404. Adenosma balsamea, Spr.; Wt. Ic. t. 446.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in rice-fields, common.

An erect or decumbent branching annual herb with pink or lilac flowers.

3. CARDANTHERA VERTICILLATA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 404. Adenosma verticillata, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1524.

Deccan, in Mysore (Wight); S. Canara (Beddome) in rice-fields. An erect annual herb with purplish flowers, often rooting below.

4. CARDANTHERA PINNATIFIDA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 405. Adenosma pinnatifida, T. And.; Bedd. Ic. t. 246.

S. Canara (Wight), on river banks (Dalzell).

A slender glandular herb with purple flowers and pinnatifid leaves.

#### 7. Blepharis, Juss.

Herbs or undershrubs, often spinous. Leaves opposite or 4 in a whorl, sometimes unequal, subentire toothed or spinous, Flowers small or moderate-sized, in terminal spikes or on suppressed lateral branches; spikes 1- or few-flowered or capitate or strobilate; bracts in several opposite decussate pairs. Calyx 4-partite; lobes unequal, in opposite pairs, the inner smaller. Corolla-tube horny, upper lip subobsolete, lower spreading, flat, with 3-5 rounded lobes. Stamens 4, didynamous; filaments thick, rigid, the anterior ones produced beyond the insertion of the anthers; anthers 1-celled, the margins thickly bearded, the 2nd cell small or obsolete. Disk annular. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style linear; stigma shortly 2-fid. Capsule oblong or ovoid, 2or 4-celled. Seeds compressed, orbicular, echinate-papillose, on rigid retinacula.

Leaves in opposite pairs, ovate-lanceolate, acute, entire or spinous-dentate, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, with scattered bulbous-based hairs; flowers solitary or in few-flowered terminal spikes; bracts 3 pairs, the middle pair 3-toothed; calyx with the outer lobe spathulate, 1 in. long, the opposite one nearly as long, 2-toothed, the inner pairs smaller, lanceolate; corolla lip 1 in. long; capsule oblong, 4-seeded, the seeds shortly softly echinate, on obtuse retinacula

1. asperrima. Leaves 4 in a whorl; flowers solitary or 2-3 together; bracts 4 pairs, all with glochidiate spinous teeth; capsule ovoid, 2-seeded, the seeds with long processes, on sharp retinacula:-

Leaves petioled, membranous, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, coarsely toothed: calyx with the outer lobe 1 in. long, oblong, the opposite one similar but smaller, the inner pair smaller still; corolla lip up to 1 in. long

boerhaaviaefolia. Leaves subsessile, thick, obovate-oblong, up to 1 in. long, ·3 in. broad, entire, with long scattered hairs; calyx with outer lobe ·3 in. long, the opposite one similar, 2-toothed, the inner pair linear; corolla-lip ·35 in. long

1. Blepharis asperrima, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 478; Wt. Ic. t. 1534. W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara, Mysore and Coorg.

A diffuse, erect or prostrate, herbaceous plant with blue flowers, the bracts and calyx white with green veins.

2. Blepharis Boerhaaviaefolia, Pers.; F. B. I. iv. 478; Wt. Ic. t. 458. N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry Districts, but usually in shady places, up to 4,000 ft. A prostrate wiry undershrub with pale blue or pink flowers, veined darker and with a yellow spot on the lip, the bracts

white veined with green. 3. Blepharis molluginifolia, Pers.; F. B. I. iv. 479.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, on dry stony lands, or sandy

places near the sea.

A prostrate wiry undershrub with small blue flowers, the capsules always closely surrounded by the bracts and calyx-lobes.

#### 8. Acanthus, Linn.

Erect or twining herbs or shrubs. Leaves pinnatifid, toothed, spinous, rarely entire, the petioles sometimes with spines at their bases. Flowers in terminal or pseudo-axillary, strobilate or interrupted spikes; bracts ovate, large, spinescent or small, decussate bracteoles large lanceolate, or 0. Calyx 4-partite, the outer 2 lobes the larger. Corolla-tube short, horny, upper lip obsolete, lower elongate, obovate, shortly obtusely 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, shorter than the lower lip; filaments stout, curved, not produced beyond the anther; anthers 1-celled, oblong, bearded. Disk 0. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style slender; stigma bifid. Capsule ellipsoid, compressed, shining. Seeds 4, compressed, orbicular; testa lax and often soft and corrugated.

ACANTHUS ILICIFOLIUS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 481. Dilivaria ilicifolia,

Juss.; Wt. Ic. t. 459.

East and West Coasts, in tidal forests. Sea Holly.

A gregarious shrub reaching 5 feet in height with large blue flowers and spinous holly-like leaves, sharp spines also at the bases of the petioles. Vern. Hind. Hargoza; Tel. Alisi, Alchi; Mar. Marandi.

# 9. Asteracantha, Nees.

A stout herb of wet places; stems numerous, with long sharp thorns at the nodes. Leaves narrow, lanceolate, lineolate, in whorls of 6, the two outer leaves of each whorl the larger. Flowers in sessile axillary whorls, surrounded by the slightly recurved spines; bracts leafy; bracteoles linear-lanceolate. Calyx deeply 4-partite, the upper lobe the largest. Corolla 2-lipped, the upper lip 2- the lower 3-lobed with 2 crested folds on the palate; tube cylindric below, enlarged above. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthers 2-celled, equal, the cells parallel. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 4 in each cell; style pubescent; stigma simple. Fruit a linear-oblong capsule. Seeds 4-8 on hard retinacula, flat and white-hairy when wet.

ASTERACANTHA LONGIFOLIA, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 449. Hygrophila spinosa, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 408.

All plains Districts, in wet places, rice-fields, the margins of tanks, etc., common.

A tall hispid herb with pale blue-purple flowers and leaves up to 7 in. long, 1 in. broad. Vern. *Hind*. Talmakhana, Kantakalia; *Tam*. Nirmuli.

### 10. Hygrophila, R. Br.

Herbs, usually found in wet places. Leaves opposite, entire, usually lineolate on the upper surface. Flowers bluish-purple, sessile, in terminal heads or axillary whorls; bracts elliptic or lanceolate; bracteoles linear or lanceolate. Calyx tubular, 5-fid; lobes linear or lanceolate. Corolla-tube dilated above; limb 2-lipped, nearly glabrous, lobes twisted to the left in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, the posterior pair sometimes smaller or rudimentary; filaments glabrous; anthers oblong, the cells equal, divaricate or connate at the base. Ovary oblong, the tip pubescent; ovules few or many in each cell; style slender, hairy; stigma simple, linear. Fruit a narrowly oblong capsule, seed-bearing from the base. Seeds numerous, rarely few, ovoid, compressed, hygroscopically hairy; retinacula hard, curved, acute.

Bracteoles acute, lanceolate, hispid-ciliate; calyx divided halfway down, the lobes acuminate and white hispid-ciliate; leaves linear or linear-lanceolate

Bracteoles obtuse, oblong, strigose; calyx divided one-third way down, the lobes long acuminate, strigose but scarcely hispid-ciliate; leaves obovate or elliptic 4. quadrivalvis.

1. Hygrophila polysperma, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 406. Hemiadelphis polysperma, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1492.

N. Circars, in Kimedy (Beddome).

- A branching and rooting small herb of wet places with pale blue flowers.
- 2. HYGROPHILA SERPYLLUM, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 406. Physichilus Serpyllum, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1493.

Deccan, in Mysore (J. Campbell).

A small branching herb of variable forms of leaf, from a woody rootstock.

3. Hygrophila angustifolia, R. Br. H. salicifolia, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 407; Wt. Ic. t. 1490.

N. Circars, in Godavari; W. Gháts, in all Districts from S. Canara and Mysore southwards, up to 4,000 ft.; in swampy places and along streams.

An erect herb up to 3 ft. in height, usually rooting at the lower nodes, the stems more or less quadrangular, the leaves narrow, the flowers pale purplish-blue.

4. Hygrophila quadrivalvis, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 408. H. obovata, Wt. Ic. t. 1489.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, up to 3,000 ft., in swampy places.

An erect herb, very similar to No. 3, and, like it, rooting at the lower nodes and with subquadrangular stems, the leaves obovate or lanceolate glabrate, the flowers pale purplish-blue.

# 11. Ruellia, Linn. (Sect. Dipteracanthus, Nees.)

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, entire or undulate, lineolate. Flowers sessile or subsessile, solitary or in clusters or racemes; bracts 0, bracteoles large, usually exceeding the calyx. Calyx 5-partite or 5-fid; lobes subequal, narrow, acute. Corolla tubular-ventricose, more or less oblique; lobes subequal, rounded; twisted to the left in bud, spreading in flower. Stamens 4, didynamous; filaments glabrous except at base; anthers subequal, 2-celled, cells oblong, muticous, glabrous. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 3—10 in each cell; style linear; stigma simple. Fruit a clavate capsule, solid at the base, seed-bearing upwards. Seeds large thin, discoid, margined, hygroscopically hairy, on strong hooked retinacula.

1. RUELLIA PROSTRATA, Poir.; F. B. I. iv. 411; Bedd Ic. t. 282.

Most dry Districts, in bushy places, on banks, in gardens, etc. A diffuse undershrub with solitary pale blue or purple flowers.

2. Ruellia patula, Jacq.; F. B. I. iv. 412. Dipteracanthus patulus, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1505.

Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, on waste lands and by road-sides, common.

A hoary small undershrub with purplish blue flowers, solitary

or 2-3 together in the leaf-axils.

R. tuberosa, Linn., is a tropical American plant with deep blue flowers frequently found in Madras Gardens.

# 12. Hemigraphis, Nees.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs. Leaves opposite, toothed or subentire. Flowers sessile, in heads or spikes, terminal or pseudo-axillary on shortened branchlets, rarely paniculate or solitary; bracts large, imbricate, each 1-flowered; bracteoles small and narrow or 0. Calyx 5-partite; lobes unequal, lanceolate or linear. Corolla tubular-ventricose or funnel-shaped; lobes 5, subequal, twisted to the left in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous; included or nearly so; anthers oblong, 2-celled, muticous, the bases acute. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style linear; stigma 2-lobed, one lobe linear, the other short. Fruit a linear or linear-oblong capsule, seed-bearing almost from the base. Seeds 6 or more compressed, discoid, hygroscopically hairy.

Corolla tubular-ventricose; longer filaments glabrous in the upper half, hairy below:-

- 1. Hemigraphis dura, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 422.

  Deccan, Bellary and Kurnool, East to Guntur and Masulipatam, usually on black cotton soil; S. Canara (Hohenacker).

  A procumbent hard very hispid herb with flexuose branches and blue flowers in large heads.
- 2. Hemigraphis hirta, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 422.
  E. Coast, in Chicacole (Gamble).
  A softly pubescent herb with creeping flexuose stems and pale blue flowers in small close terminal heads.
- 3. Hemigraphis venosa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 423.

  Deccan or Carnatic (locality doubtful).

  A scabrous pubescent herb with creeping and rooting stems.
- 4. Hemigraphis latebrosa, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 423; Wt. Ic. t. 1504.
  N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in undergrowth of deciduous forest, up to 4,000 ft. in hilly country.
  A softly pubescent branching and straggling undershrub, with blue flowers, the tube yellowish white.

Var. Beddomei, C. B. Clarke. Leaves smaller, ovate, crenate, nearly glabrous, fruiting sepals white scarious.

Deccan, Ramandrúg in Bellary (Beddome).

Var. incana, Gamble. Similar but the leaves very softly white-tomentose and thicker.

Deccan, Horsleykonda in Chittoor (Gamble, Fischer), Wt. K. D. 2272 without locality.

5. Hemigraphis elegans, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 424.

Var. crenata, C. B. Clarke.

S. Çanara near Malasamudra (Hohenacker); Ramandrúg in Bellary (Beddome).

A viscid pubescent herb, the flowers blue with a pale tube.

## 13. Stenosiphonium, Necs.

Shrubs, often viscous and with glandular-headed hairs. Leaves opposite, usually ovate, the lower one long-petioled with decurrent blade, the upper subsessile, all densely lineolate. Flowers sessile, in clusters on elongate interrupted spikes, forming leafy panicles; bract ovate or lanceolate; bracteoles 2, linear, similar to the calyx-lobes. Calyx subequally 5-fid, the lobes at first connate, later on separating, linear or lanceolate. Corolla narrowly tubular below then suddenly bent obliquely and widened to a ventricose limb; lobes 5, subequal, rounded, twisted to the left in bud. Stamens either 2 perfect with sometimes 2 small staminodes, or 4 perfect, the posterior shorter and with smaller anthers than the exsert anterior; anthers oblong, muticous. Ovary glabrous; style slender; stigma linear. Fruit a clavate capsule, seed-bearing nearly from the base, the retinacula hard. Seeds 6—8, compressed, discoid, apparently glabrous when dry, densely white hairy all round when wetted.

Stamens 2; leaves ovate, acuminate, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, the lower petioled, the upper often sessile and cordate, nerves 5—7 pairs:—

Spikes with dense but interrupted clusters, prominently viscous-pubescent; corolla .75 in. long with lower half tubular narrow, upper broadly ventricose:—

1. Stenosiphonium diandrum, Wt. Ic. t. 1502; F. B. I. iv. 426. Hills of Tinnevelly, at Courtallum (Wight).

An erect shrub with apparently pale blue flowers.

2. Stenosiphonium setosum, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 427.

Deccan or Carnatic (G. Thomson).

An erect shrub with pale blue flowers and very long hair-like tips to the calyx-lobes, covered with glandular hairs.

3. Stenosiphonium parviflorum, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 428.

Deccan or Carnatic (G. Thomson); evergreen forests of Travancore (M. Rama Rao).

An erect shrub with small pale blue flowers.

4. Stenosiphonium confertum, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 427; Wt. Ic. t. 873 (note under t. 1503).

Deccan and Carnatic, hills of Kistna and Kurnool, also Chingleput, westwards to Coimbatore and the E. slopes of the Ghats down to Tinnevelly.

An erect shrub with blue flowers.

5. Stenosiphonium Russellianum, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 427; Wt. Ic. t. 1503.

N. Circars, in Vizagapatam; Deccan, hills of Mysore, Cuddapah and Chittoor; W. Gháts, on E. slopes, down to Tinnevelly. An erect shrub with blue flowers and long-acuminate leaves.

Var. subsericeum, T. And. The young leaves sometimes smaller, but in old plants rather large, densely white-silky beneath, becoming glabrate when older; flowers deep blue.

Deccan, N. Arcot and Chittoor, to 4,000 ft. on Horsleykonda; Carnatic, Kambakam Hills of Chingleput, southwards to the hills of Tinnevelly.

## 14. Petalidium, Nees.

Shrubs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, entire or toothed. Flowers shortly pedicelled, in contracted axillary cymes or racemes, often crowded on shortened lateral branchlets, sometimes reduced to a single flower; bracts narrow or 0; bracteoles large, ovate, reticulate, ultimately scarious. Calyx 5-partite, lobes unequal, narrowly linearlanceolate. Corolla large, ventricose, straight or curved; lobes 5, subequal, twisted to the left in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, anthers subsimilar, 2-celled; cells parallel, spurred or muticous at the base. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long; stigma with 2 unequal lobes. Fruit a clavate capsule, compressed parallel to the septum; placentas separating elastically from the bottom and carrying off the seeds. Seeds 2 or 4, discoid, hygroscopically hairy, the retinacula rigid.

PETALIDIUM BARLERIOIDES, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 416.

N. Circars, Ganjam to the Kistna, in deciduous forest, common;

W. Coast, in S. Canara.

A handsome shrub reaching 5 ft. in height, the leaves up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad and long-petioled, the large flowers white or pale blue, 1-1.5 in. long with conspicuous pale reticulate bracteoles.

# 15. Micranthus, Wendl.

Perennial glandular hairy herbs. Leaves opposite, membranous, lineolate, entire or obscurely crenate, ovate, petioled. Flowers in dense, terminal, 1-sided spikes; bracts orbicular, imbricate, each pair with usually 3 flowers; bracteoles 0. Calyx 5-partite, one lobe ovate, bractlike, the others linear-subulate. Corolla small; tube slender, cylindric; lobes slightly unequal, rounded, twisted to left in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthers subsimilar, 2-celled; cells parallel, oblong, the base minutely mucronate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long, villous; stigma shortly 2-lobed. Fruit a clavate capsule, compressed parallel to the septum, 4-seeded; placentas dehiscing with the seeds elastically from the base. Seeds compressed, discoid, white-hairy when wetted.

MICRANTHUS OPPOSITIFOLIUS, Wendl. *Phaylopsis parviflora*, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 417. *Aetheilema reniforme*, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1533.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in forest undergrowth, common; W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, at low levels; Shevaroy Hills. A much-branched diffuse viscid herb with small white flowers and reniform or orbicular bracts green at first turning white and scarious with age, the leaves in unequal pairs, up to about 4 in. long and long-petioled.

#### 16. Dyschoriste, Nees.

Perennial herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, often shortly dentate. Flowers in axillary clusters or short cymes; bracts and bracteoles small. Calyx tubular; lobes 5, lanceolate or subulate, subequal. Corolla tubular, mouth obscurely 2-lipped; lobes 5, obtuse, twisted to left in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthers similar, cells parallel, minutely mucronate or spurred at base. Ovary glabrous, 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style linear, villous; stigma linear, recurved. Fruit an oblong capsule, solid at the base. Seeds 4, orbicular, compressed, on strong retinacula, densely white-hairy when wetted; cotyledons cordate.

 Dyschoriste Littoralis, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 447. Calophanes littoralis, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 410.

Carnatic, chiefly along the coast on dry sand, also inland west-wards to the foot of the Gháts on arid spots.

An undershrub with divaricate branches and rather large bluepurple flowers.

Dyschoriste depressa, Nees. Calophanes Nagchana, C. B. Clarke;
 F. B. I. iv. 410.

Carnatic, near Madras, westwards to Salem and Coimbatore, in dry places, scarce.

A trailing plant with small violet-pink flowers.

3. DYSCHORISTE VAGANS, O. Kze. Calophanes vagans, Wt. Ic. t. 1526; F. B. I. iv. 411.

N. Circars, in Godavari; Deccan and Carnatic, in the undergrowth of deciduous forest, up to 3,000 ft. on Kambakam Drug, Ramandrúg and other hills.

A slender diffuse plant, straggling among bushes, with blue flowers.

### 17. Eranthemum, Linn.

Perennial herbs or shrubs. Leaves opposite, petioled, entire or obscurely crenulate, very much lineolate. Flowers in linear, distant or close, spikes or heads; bracts usually large and prominent; bracteoles smaller, linear-lanceolate. Calyx 5-lobed, the lobes narrow, often scarious. Corolla-tube long and slender, cylindric, widened at the top, or sometimes at the middle; lobes obovate, twisted to the left in bud, spreading in flower. Stamens 2 perfect, with usually 2 others reduced to small staminodes, close to the bases of the filaments; anthers oblong, 2-celled, more or less exserted. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long and slender, sparsely hairy; stigma simple or slightly 2-lobed. Fruit a clavate capsule with solid base. Seeds 4, discoid, on sharp retinacula, hairy when wetted.

- Eranthemum Nervosum, R. Br. Daedalacanthus nervosus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 418.
   Carnatic, in Tinnevelly (Wight), perhaps only in cultivation elsewhere in S. India; frequent in gardens.
   A pretty shrub reaching 5 ft. in height with bright blue flowers in short bracteate spikes in large terminal panicles.
- 2. Eranthemum Roseum, R. Br. Daedalacanthus roseus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 419.

W. Coast, in S. Canara (Hohenacker, Wight).

A shrub reaching 6 ft. in height with rose-coloured flowers or "blue fading to purple or red" (Cooke) in long spikes forming elongate terminal panicles.

 Eranthemum purpurascens, Nees. Daedalacanthus purpurascens, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 420. Justicia pulchella Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 177. N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in deciduous forest undergrowth, common; Deccan, Nallamalai Hills of Kurnool, hills of Cuddapah, Ramandrúg in Bellary; Shevaroy Hills of Salem. A shrubby plant up to 4 ft. high with blue flowers in close heads.

4. Eranthemum montanum, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 466. Daedalacanthus montanus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 421. Justicia montana, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 176.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in deciduous forest; W. Gháts,

on E. slopes and hills of Coimbatore to S. Travancore. A small shrub up to about 3 ft. with very pale blue flowers.

Var. Wightianum. Bracts very narrow, linear, up to 6 in. long, the spikes very slender, the leaves broader.

Deccan (Russel; Wall. Cat. 2495a).

Var. concanense. Bracts much shorter, almost ovate, under 5 in. long, the spikes slender and much interrupted.

Mysore, at Kempkull, 1,000—2,000 ft. (Meebold).

#### 18. Strobilanthes, Blume.

Shrubs, undershrubs or herbs, often gregarious and only flowering after a period of years and then dying off. Leaves opposite, often unequal, toothed or subentire, usually lineolate with raphides as are the bracts and other green parts. Flowers capitate or in strobilate or interrupted bracteate spikes or panicled, sessile or sometimes pedicelled, usually with 1 floral bract and 2 bracteoles. Calyx usually deeply 5partite, the lobes narrow, subequal or one longer, rarely 2-lipped. Corolla usually white blue or purple, rather large, straight or curved, the upper part ventricose, the lower cylindric; lobes 5, rounded or ovate, twisted to the left in bud. Stamens 2 or, more usually, 4 didynamous; filaments monadelphous, the bases combined in a sheath more or less adherent at the middle to the corolla, the margins free; anthers oblong, muticous, 2-celled. Disk small or as a stalk to the ovary. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2 in each cell; style linear; stigma of one linear branch, the other suppressed or a mere point. Fruit a 2- or 4seeded capsule, the placentas sometimes separating elastically. Seeds much compressed, glabrous or hairy on strong curved retinacula.

Stamens 2 fertile, hardly monadelphous, though sometimes connected at base:—
Seeds glabrous even when wetted, without basal areole; cylinder base of corolla long, suddenly widening:—

2. foliosus. Seeds densely hairy when wetted, with a basal areole; cylinder base of corolla short, gradually widening:—

Flowers in dense broad spikes, not interrupted, 1—3 in. long, white-villous, supported by 2 leaves as outer bracts; bracts lanceolate, acuminate, 7 in. long, bracteoles linear, like the calyx 3—5 in. long; filaments pilose; leaves elliptic-lanceolate or obovate, acute, serrate, coriaceous, scabrid above, reticulate and

Flowers in narrow spikes:—
Spikes short, usually under 1 in. long, clustered with the leaves in the upper axils, not interrupted, greyish villous; bracts ovate, bracteoles short, like the calyx ·25 in. long; filaments villous near the base; leaves ovate, acute, subentire, coriaceous, puberulous beneath and when young white-tomentose, up to 3 in. long, 1·5 in. broad, main nerves 8—9 pairs, curved and parallel

Spikes more than 1 in. long, usually axillary or lateral, sometimes panicled:—
Spikes from the first more or less glandular hispid, not woolly, more or less interrupted:—

Spikes 1-2 in. long, often panicled, in the axils of present or fallen leaves along the stems; bracts lanceolate; bracteoles small; calvx .5 in. long with linear lobes; corolla 5 in. long; leaves submembranous, ovate, long cuspidate-acuminate, crenulate, the base rounded and decurrent on the long petiole, up to 7 in. long, 4 in. broad, nerves Spikes 2-3 in long, peduncled, single or in usually 3-branched very glandular panicles towards the ends of the branches; bracts lanceolate, acuminate, recurved, bracteoles short; calyx 5 in. long, with linear lobes; corolla ·75—1 in. long, glabrous or puberulous without; leaves ovate, cuspidate-acuminate, crenulate, the base acute with long petiole, densely white-silky beneath, up to 6 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, main nerves axillary or lateral, often nearly quite glabrous; bracts ovate or lanceo-late, acuminate, bracteoles linear, short; calyx 2—3 in. long, the lobes slender; corolla '75 in. long, glabrous without; leaves thin, ovate, long-acuminate, dentate, the base decurrent on a long petiole, nearly or quite glabrous, up to 7 in. long, 4 in. broad, main nerves 7—8 pairs, ......7. consanguineus. subparallel.....

9. gossybinus

Stamens 4 fertile, usually monadelphous, the filaments combined below in a sheath more or less adherent to the corolla-tube, but the margins usually free:

Flowers in capitate heads or short spikes:—

Seeds glabrous:-

Flowers in heads:—
Heads very hairy, short and dense but often elongating in fruit, supported by 2 or more leaf-like involucral bracts:—

Leaves rugose, usually with bulbous-based hairs, scabrous-hispid, subcoriaceous:—

Corolla with the cylinder base shorter than the urceolate upper part; filaments and their sheaths glabrous:—

Filaments nearly equal, the 2 inner close and rather higher than the 2 divaricate outer; thick low shrubs with lanceolate acute bracts and acuminate calyx-lobes; leaves up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad, with 6—8 pairs of main nerves impressed above

Heads large, densely bristly hirsute:—
Bracts oblong, 1—1.5 in. long, bracteoles very long, setaceous bristly; calyx-lobes lanceolate with scarious margins; leaves ovate, acuminate, crenate, rounded at base, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad, with 7—8 pairs of main nerves...14. neilgherrensis.
Bracts leafy, obovate, acute, crenate, very silky, bracteoles linear,

4.5 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves 7 pairs.....13. pulneyensis.

Bracts leafy, obovate, acute, crenate, very silky, bracteoles linear, very white-silky; calyx-lobes narrowly lanceolate, scarious below, silky above; leaves ovate, acute, narrowed at base, up to 4.5 in long, 2.5 in. broad, with 5 pairs of impressed main nerves 15. circarensis.

Leaves stem and inflorescence softly white- or fulvous-glandular hairy, the peduncles flattened; leaves membranous, ovate or lanceolate, long-acuminate, narrowed at base, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad; cylinder base of corolla very short, upper part ventricose; filament sheath long, the 2 inner stamens shorter and rather higher up than the outer

Flowers in spikes, glabrous except sometimes in fruit, bracts not decurrent:—

Spikes erect, oblong:-

Bracts very conspicuous, spreading, leafy, 1—2.5 in. long, glabrous in flower, glandular-hairy in fruit as are the linear-lanceolate calyx-lobes and the small bracteoles; corolla large, cylinder base .5 in. long, upper ventricose part .75 in.; filament sheath short, truncate, the outer stamens the longer; leaves ovate, acuminate, cuneate at base, serrulate, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad, with 7—8 pairs main nerves

Bracts small, not conspicuous, close, glabrous or glandular-hairy, bracteoles small; calyx-lobes 3 in. long, linear; corolla small, 5 in. long, cylinder base as long as the campanulate upper part; filament

seeds doubtful but apparently glabrous:-

Spikes ·5—·75 in. long; corolla small, with exsert stamens:—

Spikes ·75—1·5 in. long; corolla large with included stamens, cylinder base ·25 in. long, upper part funnel-shaped, ·75 in. long; filament sheath ·2 in. long, sparsely hairy, the inner stamens shorter; leaves narrowly lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, subentire, glabrous, up to 6 in. long, 1—1·25 in. broad, main nerves 6 pairs, faint

Seeds appressed villous, the hairs not elastic when wetted; capsule 2-seeded:—Seeds oblong with large areoles; flowers in panicles of deflexed lanceolate 2—3-flowered heads about '75 in. long, with 2 pairs involucral bracts; bracts lanceolate, long-acuminate, ciliate, bracteoles 0 or minute; corolla 1 in. long, cylinder base short; leaves elliptic, long-acuminate at both ends, crenate, up to 7 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, main nerves 6 pairs

·5 in.; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, cuneate at base, crenate, membranous, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 8—10 pairs

Flowers in strobilate often cymose spikes or heads, the bracts usually rounded and concave:—

Seeds glabrous (those of S. Andersonii not known):—

Flowers on the branches, axillary or lateral, the spikes with small bracts in pairs below, the first floral bracts usually flowerless:—

Bracteoles 0; sheath of filaments long, narrow, very hairy, inner stamens

shorter:-

Bracts elliptic-obovate, obtuse, softly long-glandular-hairy, reticulate, narrowed at base; calyx-lobes oblong, obtuse or emarginate, scarious, 3 in. long; corolla 75—1 in. long, cylinder base as long as the urceolate upper part; leaves elliptic-ovate, acuminate, slightly decurrent, serrate, rugose, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves about 9 pairs 31. lupulinus.

Bracts not glandular hairy, elliptic or orbicular, obtuse or emarginate,

usually white or pink; calyx subscarious, lobes emarginate:—
Bracts not decurrent on the rhachis of the spike; filament sheath

elongate:-

Seeds hairy when wet, except on the areoles; bracteoles 0:-

Spikes cylindric, axillary and terminal, 1-3 in. long; bracts ovate, acute or cuspidate, softly hairy; corolla 1 in. long, the cylinder base 25 in.; filament sheath straight, outer anthers larger than Inner; leaves ovate, acute, subcordate at base, crenate, rugose or bullate, very softly glandular-hairy, up to 1.5 in. long, 75-1 in. broad, main nerves 6-7 pairs......38. sessilis. Spikes subtetragonous, lateral and terminal, 2.5 in. long; bracts ovate, obtuse, reddish, viscous, subscarious, decurrent at base, 75 in. long; calyx-lobes scarious; corolla large; leaves ovate, acuminate, subcordate, crenate, bristlypubescent, up to 5 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves 9 pairs.....39. Dupeni.

Flowers in lax spikes, cymose or panicled; bracts in pairs at the nodes of the

panicle-branches; no floral bracts:-

Bracts early deciduous, 3 in. long, bracteoles smaller, calyx-lobes 5 in. long, linear-oblong, obtuse, all glandular-hairy; spikes in panicles much interrupted; corolla 1-1.5 in. long, of which cylinder base about one-third; leaves ovate, acute, rounded or cordate at base, serrate, scabrous and glandular, up to 2 in. 

Bracts persistent:-

Spikes axillary, solitary or in cymes, covered with long soft viscid glandular hairs; bracts linear, acuminate, recurved, 5-75 in. long, bracteoles smaller; calyx-lobes linear, unequal, 3-5 in. long, longer in fruit; corolla 1-1.25 in. long, the cylinder base about one-third; filament sheath elongate, villous as are the outer filaments, the inner ones shorter; leaves lanceolate, long acuminate, decurrent on the petiole and then auricled, nearly entire, up to 12 or even more in long, 3 in broad, main nerves 6—10 pairs; seeds 2, very shaggy with white hairs......41. integrifolius.

Spikes in terminal more or less leafy panicles; seeds 4, hairy:-

Leaves oblong lanceolate, sessile or petioled with the blade decurrent

and ending in an auricle:-

regular.....

Spikes rather stout, flexuose, with the internodes 5-1 in. long, nodal bracts large, ovate, acute, ·5 in. long, bracteoles spathulate; calyx ·5 in. long, the lobes linear; corolla 1 in., curved, cylinder tube hardly any; leaves elliptic or lanceolate, long acuminate, serrate, up to 8 in. long, 1.5 in. or more broad, main nerves 8-10 pairs, very oblique

Spikes slender, flexuose, puberulous, the internodes 25-5 in. long, nodal bracts small, oblong, usually under 25 in. long, bracteoles linear, short, glandular hairy; calyx ·25—·35 in. long, the lobes linear, glabrous; corolla 1 in. long, curved, the cylinder tube rather short; leaves lanceolate, long acuminate, the petiole broadly winged and auricled, serrate, up to 12 in. long, 3.5 in. broad, main nerves 8-12 pairs, very oblique,

Leaves ovate, acute, abruptly rounded at base and then shortly decurrent on the long petiole, crenulate, glandular-pubescent, the blade up to 65 in. long, 4 in. broad, main nerves 10—15 pairs, spreading and prominent; spikes in glandular-pubescent panicles, the nodal bracts oblong, about 2 in. long, bracteoles linear, more hairy than the obtuse calyx-lobes; corolla 1.25 in. long, urceolate, very retrorsely hairy within, cylinder base small; filament sheath curved at base, the inner stamens short......44. violaceus.

Leaves not auricled and not decurrent on the long petiole:-

Stout and very viscous glandular-hairy, the leaves elliptic or oblanceolate, acuminate at both ends, glabrous, undulate, crenate, long-petioled, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves 10 pairs, prominent, curved; panicles large and loose, very sticky, nodal bracts small, linear; pedicels slender, bracteoles minute, 1 in. long; calyx very glandular-villous, the lobes linear ·5 in., one longer; corolla large, ventricose, no cylinder lanceolate, caudate-acuminate, nearly glabrous, undulate, petioled, up to 5 in. long, 1.25 in. broad, main nerves 7-9 pairs, curved; panicles much branched, nodal bracts ovate acute, spreading or reflexed; pedicels slender, bracteoles very minute; calyx subglabrous, the lobes linear 25

1. Strobilanthes humilis, Gamble n. comb. Endopogon viscosus, var. humilis; Wt. Ic. t. 1498.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 4,300 ft. (Beddome, No. 69 in Herb. Calc)., Courtallum, in Tinnevelly (Wight).

A low shrub scarcely a foot high (Wight). Beddome's specimen was collected in 1858, Wight's in 1836.

2. Strobilanthes foliosus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 433. Endopogon foliosus, Wt. Ic. t. 1501. E. capitatus, Wt. Ic. t. 1499.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at 4,000—7,000 ft. in Shola Forest, common; Sholas on Kudraimukh, S. Canara (Beddome); Brumagiri Hills (Fischer).

A large, gregarious shrub with pale blue flowers, the stems glabrous or glandular pilose, both often on the same plant, the hairy ones usually in the fruiting season. The leafy outer bracts are often deciduous, when the long linear bracteoles and calyx-lobes are conspicuous. It is often found in flower and perhaps does not die down at intervals.

3. Strobilanthes Kunthianus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 434. Phlebo-phyllum Kunthianum, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 448.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above 6,000 ft., on grassy downs, common, especially in Nilgiris on the E. side; Shevaroy Hills and hills of N. Coimbatore.

A gregarious bushy shrub with blue flowers, colouring large tracts when in flower, probably at intervals of about 6 years.

4. Strobilanthes canaricus, Bedd. Ic. t. 215; F. B. I. iv. 434. W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara at Kudraimukh 6,000 ft. (Beddome).

A stiff shrub reaching 3—4 ft. in height, with white flowers, the corolla 5 in. long, villous without.

STROBILANTHES JEYPORENSIS, Bedd. Ic. t. 214; F. B. I. iv. 436.
 N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam and Godavari, at 1,500—2,500 ft. in forest undergrowth (Beddome, Gamble, Barber). A large shrub with white flowers. It flowered in 1874, 1885 and 1902.

6. Strobilanthes cuspidatus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 435; Bedd. Ic. t. 221. Endopogon versicolor, Wt. Ic. t. 1497.

N. Circars, hills of Godavari at 3,000 ft. (Gamble); W. Gháts, in almost all Districts, but most common in Nilgiris on N. and E. slopes about 4,000—7,000 ft.

A large shrub with appressed white-woolly or somewhat tawny young branches and the undersurface of the leaves, mature more glabrous. The flowers are of a very pale blue and the spikes very glandular hairy. It was collected in flower in 1851, 1870, 1877, 1884. Its period seems to be about 7 years.

STROBILANTHES CONSANGUINEUS, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 435.
 W. Gháts on N. and E. slopes of Nilgiris and Pulneys, at low levels.

A large shrub, with pale blue or white flowers, the spikes glandular villous, the bracts rather short. It was collected

in flower in 1884, 1897, 1909, and its period may be about

12 years.

Var. Amomum, C. B. Clarke; Bedd. Ic. t. 216. Spikes more slender, more interrupted, nearly glabrous; leaves more prominently toothed; bracts larger, acuminate.

Carnatic, Kambakam Hills of Chingleput (Fischer); W. Gháts,

Mysore and Coimbatore to the Pulneys.

Var. hypoleucus, C. B. Clarke. Spikes as in var. Amomum but the leaves more or less covered beneath with appressed white tomentum.

Hills of the Deccan, Ramandrug in Bellary (Beddome).

8. Strobilanthes Lawsoni, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1923, 374.

W. Gháts, below Sispara in W. Nilgiris, at 5,000-6,000 ft. (Lawson, Gamble) in sheltered sholas; Tambracheri Ghát, Wynaad (Barber); hills of Travancore, among rocks (Bourdillon). An erect shrub with pale blue flowers. It was collected in flower in 1883. The capsules and seeds are large and the latter very hairy when wetted.

9. Strobilanthes Gossypinus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 434; Bedd. Ic. t.

198; Bot. Mag. t. 7790.

W. Gháts, above Sispara in W. Nilgiris, at 7,000 ft., on open

dry hillsides; Mysore? (Lobb.).

A handsome crect shrub with pale blue flowers. It flowered in 1867 to 1870 and 1883 and its period is supposed to be 6 or 7 years (Beddome).

10. Strobilanthes barbatus, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 437; Bedd. Ic. t. 212.

S. tetrapterus, Dalz.

W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills (Talbot), W. Nilgiris, Anamalais: and hills of Travancore, at low levels and up to 3,000 ft. A gregarious shrub with white flowers, flowering about every 7th year (Beddome).

11. Strobilanthes Wightianus, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 438; Wt. Ic. t. 1514. W. Gháts, Nilgiris above 6,000 ft., usually on grassy downs,

A very rough rather low gregarious shrub with pale blue flowers marked with darker veins, the tube brownish. It may be found in flower in any year.

12. STROBILANTHES URCEOLARIS, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1923, 374. W. Gháts, Nilgiris about Ootacamund, 7,000-8,000 ft. (Bourne, Pulney Hills, head of the Bodinaikanur Ghát (Beddome), in Shola forest, on grass land. An erect shrub with long internodes in the forest, a very low branching one in open places, the flowers apparently pale blue.

13. STROBILANTHES PULNEYENSIS, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 438.

W. Gháts, Coorg, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore above 5,000 ft.; hills of N. Coimbatore at 5,000 ft. (Fisher): Shevarov Hills of Salem (Bourne).

A shrub with blue flowers. It seems to have been found in flower at rather long intervals. It flowered at Cairn Hill,

Ootacamund, in 1885.

14. Strobilanthes neilgherrensis, Bedd. Ic. t. 196; F. B. I. iv. 438. W. Gháts, Coorg, Wynaad, Palghát and Pulney Hills, at 3,000-6,000 ft., in evergreen forests. A large shrub with subtetragonal stems and white flowers. It was found in flower in 1884 (Gamble), 1910 (Fischer), previously by Beddome without date.

15. Strobilanthes circarensis, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1923, 373. N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam at 2,000-5,000 ft. (Gamble, A. W. Lushington). An erect shrub with subtetragonous nearly glabrous stems,

rather large capsules and glabrous seeds.

16. Strobilanthes anceps, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 442; Bedd. Ic. t. 204. Var. microstachya, C. B. Clarke. Ruellia? punctata, Nees; Wt.

Ic. t. 1563. W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara (Beddome); also Carcoor Ghát in Wynaad; hills of Tinnevelly, about Courtallum (Wight) and Naterikal (Hb. Madr.). A soft slender undershrub with white flowers and glabrous seeds

without areoles.

17. Strobilanthes perrottetianus, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 439; Wt. Ic. t. 1513.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in Shola woods above 6,000 ft., common; Anamalais (Beddome).

A large shrub soft with reddish-purple hairs, the flowers pale blue pink or lilac, the capsule 2-seeded. It was in flower in 1852, again in 1883—1886, since then in 1908 and 1918, but its period is uncertain, it may be 10 years.

18. STROBILANTHES PAPILLOSUS, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 445; Bedd. Ic.

W. Gháts, Shola woods of Nilgiris at 7,000-8,000 ft.

A large shrub with large blue flowers, and angular stems which like the leaves and inflorescence are very scabrous with bulbousbased hairs. The close heads have involucral bracts with leafy tips. The seeds are believed to be glabrous and large, without areoles. It flowered at Sispara and on Doddabetta in 1883.

19. Strobilanthes Zenkerianus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 439; Endopogon Strobilanthes, Wt. Ic. t. 1500. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in Shola woods above 6,000 ft., common; Anamalais, at 6,000 ft. (Beddome); Pulney Hills, (Bourne). A large handsome shrub, with blue flowers and 4-seeded capsule. It was in flower in 1883-85 and again in 1916, but its period,

perhaps rather long, is doubtful. 20. Strobilanthes Warreensis, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 439. S. parviflorus,

Bedd. Ic. t. 197. S. Canara Gháts (Beddome, Meebold); Coorg, at 3,000 ft. (fide Beddome).

An erect shrub 5-6 ft. high with white flowers in slender cottony spikes, capsule 4-seeded.

21. Strobilanthes ciliatus, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 439; Bedd. Ic. t. 211. W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, in evergreen forest up to about 4,000 ft.

A slender shrub reaching 4 ft. in height with white or lilac flowers, said to flower yearly.

22. Strobilanthes Meeboldhi, Craib in Kew Bull. 1910, 278. Deccan, Kempkull in Mysore, at 1,000 ft. (Meebold).

A small shrub about 3 ft. high, the heads small somewhat strobilate with soft subscarious bracts, the seeds not known but the ovules glabrous.

23. Strobilanthes adenophorus, Bedd. Ic. t. 225; F. B. I. iv. 440. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 4,000-5,000 ft. (Beddome, Fischer), hills of Tinnevelly (Beddome). A shrub, reaching 3-4 ft. in height, with apparently pale blue flowers and very narrow leaves, probably flowering yearly.

24. Strobilanthes decurrens, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 440. Goldfussia decurrens, Wt. Ic. t. 1522.

W. Gháts, Coorg (Beddome), Anamalai Hills at 4,500 ft. (Beddome), hills of Tinnevelly (Wight).

A herbaceous (Wight) plant with quadrangular stems. The large decurrent bracts and the very large seeds sometimes nearly 5 in. in diam. are characteristic.

25. Strobilanthes micranthus, Wt. Ic. t. 1519; F. B. I. iv. 444. W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills above 6,000 ft., in Shola woods.

An erect almost herbaceous soft shrub with thick branches, large leaves and very distinct corolla (Clarke suggests "reddish") and stamens. It flowered in 1870 and again in 1885 and 1917; the period may possibly be 15 years.

26. Strobilanthes tristis, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 441. Goldfussia

tristis, Wt. Ic. t. 1508.

W. Gháts, W. Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly, below 6,000 ft. in evergreen forest. An erect shrub with pale blue flowers.

27. STROBILANTHES CAUDATUS, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 441; Bedd. Ic. t. 213.

W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara, Coorg, Wynaad and Travancore, up to 6,000 ft., in evergreen forest.

An erect shrub, reaching 4-5 ft. high, the flowers white tinged with orange or red. The bracts in the Malabar and Travancore specimens are longer and more spreading than in those from S. Canara.

28. Strobilanthes heteromallus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 437. W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at about 4,000 ft. and above it.

A large shrub, reaching perhaps to 20 ft. high, with pale blue flowers, very scabrous. It was found in flower in 1884-6 (Lawson and Gamble), 1899 (Prain), 1910 (Meebold) in Nilgiris, in 1898 in Pulneys (Bourne). Its period may perhaps be about 14 years.

STROBILANTHES IXIOCEPHALUS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 444; Bedd. Ic. t. 203. S. Neesianus, Wt. Ic. t. 1523.
 W. Coast and W. Gháts, in S. Canara (Beddome, Hohenacker).
 A small straggling shrub with white flowers and very viscid

bracts.

30. Strobilanthes asper, Wt. Ic. t. 1518; F. B. I. iv. 452.

W. Gháts, Bababudan Hills of Mysore, W. Nilgiris, Anamalais, hills of Malabar, Cochin and Travancore, at 5,000—8,000 ft., margins of Shola woods.

A soft erect shrub about 4—5 ft. high with purplish-white flowers and a strong scent. Its period is possibly quite a short one

and perhaps it may not die down at intervals.

31. Strobilanthes Lupulinus, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 443.

Hills of Mysore, at Aglatti, 3,500 ft. (Meebold); High Wavy
Mountain, Madura, 4,000 ft. (Blatter and Hallberg); hills of
Travancore and Tinnevelly (Wight, Rama Row).
An erect herbaceous undershrub with very glandular-hairy spikes.

32. Strobilanthes asperrimus, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 443.
W. Gháts, forests of Mysore, North Coimbatore and Wynaad, at about 3,000—5,000 ft.

A rather stout shrub about 3 ft. high, with apparently pale blue corolla and very rough scabrous glandular branches.

33. STROBILANTHES HEYNEANUS, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 443. S. rugosus,

Wt. Ic. t. 1619.

W. Gháts, in all Districts from S. Canara to Tinnevelly, at about 3,000—4,000 ft., in evergreen forests; Bababudan Hills of Mysore. A small gregarious shrub reaching 3 ft. in height but usually less, with pale blue flowers. It seems to remain perennial and is often found in flower. It is most variable but the varieties are very difficult to separate. Clarke's var. fusca has large usually solitary spikes; his var. viridis has the cymes more elongate, more prominently bracteate and the spikes smaller, but they run into one another and the difference seems to be really only climatic.

34. Strobilanthes campanulatus, Wt. Ic. t. 1562. S. Heyneanus var.

campanulata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 444.

W. Gháts, in Coorg (Wight). A very small herbaceous shrub reaching scarcely 10 in. high with small spikes and leaves.

35. Strobilanthes Andersonii, Bedd. Ic. t. 208; F. B. I. iv. 450. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 6,000 ft. (Beddome), in moist woods.

A very large shrub up to 20 ft. high (Beddome), with pale blue large flowers in strobilate spikes 2—2.5 in. long, the leaves mem-

anous.

36. STROBILANTHES LURIDUS, Wt. Ic. t. 1515—6; F. B. I. iv. 450.

W. Gháts, W. Nilgiris from Naduvatam to Sispara at 4,000—6,000 ft., hills of Travancore at 4,000 ft. (Beddome).

A large straggling gregarious shrub with thick stems and branches, the lurid purple (sometimes white) flowers in brac-

teate spikes up to 10 in. long with peduncles deflexed, the spikes erect. Mr. Clarke says it flowers every year and I think this is the case, but Wight says it seems only to flower once in several years.

Var. Bourneae, Gamble. Bracts, bracteoles and calyx very glandular hairy, the prominent nerves on the bracts resembling those of

the next species.

Pulney Hills, in Periya Shola (Bourne).

STROBILANTHES BOLAMPATTIANUS, Bedd. Ic. t. 200; F. B. I. iv. 451.
 W. Gháts, Bolampatti Hills of Coimbatore, at 4,500—7,000 ft., in moist forests.

A large shrub up to 15 ft. high with brown flowers in terminal or lateral spikes up to 6 in. long, sometimes panicled. Beddome says it flowers every year.

38. Strobilanthes sessilis, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 452; Wt. Ic. t. 1511.

W. Gháts, downs of W. Nilgiris at 6,000-8,000 ft.

A small erect plant with stems  $1-l\frac{1}{2}$  ft. high from a perennial rootstock. The flowers are a bright blue-purple, and the bracts after flowering sometimes change to pale pink. It probably flowers almost every year or at any rate at short intervals, the rootstock remaining.

Var. sessiloides, C. B. Clarke; Wt. Ic. t. 1512. Leaves thicker, very

rugose or bullate, with prominent nerves; the spikes longer.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 6,000 ft. (Talbot, etc.), Nilgiris (Wight).

39. Strobilanthes Dupeni, Bedd.; F. B. I. iv. 453.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, top of Neliampatti Ghát (Beddome). A very little known shrub with well-marked bracts and blue flowers.

40. Strobilanthes Newii, Bedd. ex C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. 464. S. extensus, Bedd. Ic. t. 202, not of Nees.

W. Gháts, Manjerabad in W. Mysore (New).

A small shrub with quadrangular stems and deep purple flowers, with much inflated corolla, the leaves prominently serrate.

41. Strobilanthes integrifolius, O. Kze. S. perfoliatus, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 458. Leptacanthus alatus, Wt. Ic. t. 1527.

W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara and Coorg.

A gregarious much-branched shrub up to about 4 ft. high, very viscid, with blue flowers and seeds very hairy when wetted. In the Bombay forests, it is said to flower at intervals of 7 years (Talbot). It flowered in S. Canara in 1866 (Beddome).

42. STROBILANTHES HOMOTROPUS, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 474. S. sexennis, Bedd. Ic. t. 206, not of Nees.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in Sholas above 7,000 ft.

A large shrub with white flowers. It was in flower in 1883, but its period is probably a long one, as it has only rarely been collected.

STROBILANTHES GRACILIS, Bedd. Ic. t. 207; F. B. I. iv. 474.
 W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at 4,000
 —6,000 ft.

A very large shrub (Beddome), reaching 15 ft. in height (Bourne), the flowers white tinged with lilac; mauve-blue (Bourne).

44. STROBILANTHES VIOLACEUS, Bedd. Ic. t. 205; F. B. I. iv. 474.

W. Gháts, about Bangi Tappal and Sispara in the Nilgiris at 6,000—7,500 ft.

A large shrub with beautiful blue-purple flowers. It flowers rarely, probably at long intervals. It was found by Beddome in 1870 and by Lawson and Gamble in 1883, so the period may be 13 years.

45. STROBILANTHES AMABILIS, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 476. Leptacan-

thus Walkeri, Wt. Ic. t. 1507, not of Nees.

A large very sticky shrub with jointed stems and pink flowers. Recorded flowering years are: 1838 (Gough), 1846 (Wt.), 1847 (Gardner), 1855 (Cleghorn), 1861 (T. Anderson), 1873 (Beddome), 1883 (Lawson, Gamble), 1911 (Fischer); the period has been supposed to be about 10 years.

46. STROBILANTHES RUBICUNDUS, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 475. S. panicu-

latus, Bedd. Ic. t. 199, not of T. And.

W. Gháts, Wynaad to Travancore and Tinnevelly Hills, at 2,000

-3,000 ft. (Beddome, Lawson, Bourdillon).

A slender delicate shrub with pink flowers. It flowered in Wynaad in 1816 (Heyne), on the Carcoor Ghát in 1864 and 1888, near Peermerd in 1889, in Tinnevelly in 1899.

# 19. Calacanthus, T. And.

An erect shrub. Leaves large, entire, lineolate. Flowers large, solitary and sessile in the axils of bracts, arranged in long spikes, terminal and from the upper axils; bracteoles 2. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes unequal, the upper and 2 lower lanceolate, the 2 lateral linear. Corolla purple, deeply 2-lipped; upper lip narrow, shortly bifid, lower shortly 3-lobed, the lobes all contorted in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous; filaments connate at base in a transverse membrane; anthers subequal, oblong, 2-celled, ciliate. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long, filiform, hairy; stigma linear. Capsule obovoid, compressed apiculate, pubescent, 2-seeded. Seeds compressed, densely hairy, on curved retinacula.

CALACANTHUS DALZELLIANA, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 479. Lepidagathis

grandiflora, Dalz.; Bedd. Ic. t. 226.

Hills of S. Canara up to 3,000 ft. (Beddome).

A leafy gregarious shrub up to 6 ft. high, with large elliptic or lanceolate acuminate leaves up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, large purple flowers with transversely plicate lower lip and large capsule, the seeds with brown hairs.

# 20. Andrographis, Wall.

Erect or procumbent herbs or undershrubs, the branches often tetragonous. Leaves entire, often minutely lineolate. Flowers in axillary and terminal, lax, often panicled, racemes, sometimes reduced to 1 flower, often unilateral; bracts small; bracteoles minute or 0. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes narrow. Corolla small, usually pale but blotched and

spotted with brown and purple, tubular at base, then more or less ventricose, prominently 2-lipped, the upper slightly 2-fid, the lower usually deflexed, 3-lobed and coloured. Stamens 2; filaments broad, enlarged at base and sometimes in the middle; anthers 2-celled, usually bearded at base with a tuft of white hair. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2-6 in each cell; style slender; stigma minutely bifid. Fruit an oblong or elliptic capsule compressed at right angles to the septum, 4-12-seeded, the retinacula acute or rounded. Seeds hard, deeply rugosely pitted, glabrous.

Capsule linear-oblong: -

Flowers in elongate racemes, sometimes subpaniculate but the flowers distant; stem tetragonous; retinacula acute:-

Anthers bearded at the base, the filaments also more or less hirsute; corolla

prominently 2-lipped:-

Corolla under 5 in. long; anthers prominently bearded; leaves glabrous:-Leaves lanceolate, acute at both ends, up to 3 in. long, 75 in. broad; pedicels up to 25 in. long; calyx-lobes glandular-pubescent...1. paniculata. Leaves linear, under 1 in long; pedicels 15 in long; calyx-lobes glabrous, stenophylla. Corolla about .75 in. long; anthers bearded but not prominently:-

Stems slender as are the racemes; pedicels up to 2 in. long; leaves lanceolate, acuminate, broadest at the rounded base, nearly glabrous, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad; calyx-lobes glandular-pubescent and lineolate

3. Wightiana. Stems stouter as are the racemes; pedicels 0-1 in. long; leaves oblonglanceolate, acute, cuneate at base, slightly pubescent, up to 3.5 in. long, Anthers not bearded at the base, the filaments nearly glabrous; corolla not

or only obscurely 2-lipped:—
Corolla about 3 in. long:—
Filaments only slightly broadened below; pedicels very short or 0; leaves ovate, acute, rounded and then decurrent at base, up to 4.5 in. long, 2 in. broad; calyx-lobes glandular-pubescent or nearly glabrous......5. elongata. Filaments with a prominent rounded protuberance; pedicels usually 0; leaves ovate, acute, attenuate or rounded and then long-decurrent at base, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; calyx-lobes glandular-pubescent

Corolla 5—75 in. long; filaments flattened; pedicels 1—25 in. long; leaves below ovate, upper linear-oblong, acute at both ends, glabrous but much lineolate, up to 3.5 in. long, 1 in. broad; calyx-lobes long, glandular-hispid

Flowers in racemes, paniculate, the flowers not very distant:-

Racemes short, forming terminal subcapitate panicles; corolla ventricose:-Leaves elliptic, acute at both ends, glabrous except for scattered jointed hairs, drying black, up to 4 in long, 2.5 in broad, raphides minute; calyxlobes linear, 1—15 in long; capsule up to 1 in long, glandular-strigose

Neesiana. Leaves elliptic-lanceolate, narrowed at both ends, strigose above, softly fulvoustomentose beneath, up to 2.5 in. long, 1 in. broad, raphides 0; calyx-lobes setaceous, 2-3 in. long; capsule about .75 in. long, glandular-strigose

9. stellulata.

Racemes long, forming rather large compound terminal panicles:-Leaves rather thick, subsessible, ovate or ovate-lanceolate, acute, the base obtuse, glabrous, up to 3 in long, 1 in broad, raphides minute; calyx-lobes 1—2 in long, glandular hairy; corolla ventricose; capsule 8 in long

Leaves submembranous, petioled, lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, up to 4 in. long, 1-1.5 in. broad, lineolate:-

Corolla with a prominent ventricose protuberance; calyx-lobes 15 in. long, 

Flowers in slender axillary racemes, sometimes bifid; anthers strongly bearded; retinacula spoon-shaped:—

1. Andrographis paniculata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 501; Wt. Ic. t. 518. A. subspathulata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 502.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore in dry forest undergrowth.

An erect herb with pink corolla, darker on the lower lip, the capsule usually 12-seeded. A bitter plant, used in medicine.

2. Andrographis stenophylla, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 503.

Deccan, about Coimbatore (Wight).

An erect glabrous undershrub with very narrow leaves and stems from a stout rootstock, the corolla pale with dark red stripes.

3. Andrographis Wightiana, Arn. ex Nees; F. B. I. iv. 503; Wt. Ic. t. 1558.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, up to 2,500 ft., in evergreen forests.

A very slender nearly glabrous herb, the corolla pink with redpurple lower lip.

4. Andrographis macrobotrys, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 503.

W. Gháts, S. Canara (Hohenacker), Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, up to 2,500 ft., in evergreen forests.

A stouter somewhat pubescent herb with pink corolla and dark purple-red blotches on the lower lip, as in the last.

5. Andrographis elongata, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 502.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests, at low levels. An erect plant with divaricate branches and inflorescence, the corolla apparently pink.

6. Andrographis ovata, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 502. Gymnostachyum

ovatum, T. And.; Bedd. Ic. t. 250.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, 4,000 ft. (Gamble, Fischer and Gage), Rampa Hills of Godavari, 2,000—3,000 ft. (Gamble, V. Narayanswami); Deccan, Ananthapura in Mysore, 2,000—3,000 ft. (Meebold).

An erect rather tall herb with glandular-pubescent stem and pink

corolla.

7. Andrographis alata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 502.

W. Gháts, E. base of slopes in Nilgiris, Coimbatore and Walayar,

up to 3,000 ft. in the Gundal Valley (Fischer).

An erect herb reaching 4 ft. in height with very divaricate long branches and white corolla spotted with pink. The upper branchlets have the angles so sharp as to be slightly winged.

8. Andrographis Neesiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1561; F. B. I. iv. 504.

W. Ghats Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, about 7,000 ft., on grass downs at the margins of sholas and on the banks of streams.

An erect handsome plant about 2—3 ft. high with brownish purple flowers. The heads are usually close, but the racemes

elongate later on.

9. Andrographis stellulata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 504. W. Gháts, Nilgiris about 6,000 ft. (Hohenacker, Clarke). An erect herb with prominent calyx-lobes, the corolla pale pink with purple spots.

10. Andrographis lineata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 504.

Deccan, hills of Cuddapah at 3,000 ft. (Gamble); Mysore and N. Coimbatore to the N. slopes of Nilgiris, 3,000—5,500 ft.; Car-

natic, Sirumlai Hills of Madura.

An erect herb, the panicle branches very long and almost spicate in fruit, the corolla pale with purple blotches. Clarke's var. Lawii, seems quite a distinct plant but the material is very insufficient.

11. Andrographis producta, Gamble n. comb. A. Neesiana var. producta, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 504.

W. Gháts, Malabar, Travancore and Tinnevelly, up to 6,000 ft. on W. Nilgiris.

An erect herb.

12. Andrographis explicata, Gamble n. comb. A. viscosula var. explicata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 504. A. ceylanica, Wt. Ic. t. 1560, not of Nees.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to 5,000 ft.

An erect herb.

13. Andrographis affinis, Nees. A. Neesiana var. affinis, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 504.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys at 5,000-7,000 ft.

A slender, many-stemmed undershrub with pale corolla streaked with purple, the inflorescence bracts prominent.

14. Andrographis viscosula, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 504; Wt. Ic. t. 1559.

Hills of Tinnevelly, about Courtallum (Wight, etc.).

A many-branched woody undershrub reaching scarcely more than 1—1½ ft. high, the corolla apparently lilac with a few dark streaks

15. Andrographis lobelioides, Wt. Spic. Nilg. t. 181, Ic. t. 1557;

F. B. I. iv. 505.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, on the downs among grass, at 6,000—8,000 ft. A low much-branched procumbent herb from a woody rootstock, the corolla white streaked with red.

16. Andrographis Lawsoni, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1923, 375. W. Gháts, Kundahs in Nilgiris about Avalanché and Sispara,

7.000—8,000 ft., in grass.

A low undershrub with erect branches and rather long often paniculate racemes, the flowers apparently dark brownish-purple.

17. Andrographis Rothii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 506.
S. Carnatic, plains of Tinnevelly (Beddome), lower hills (Fischer).
A straggling undershrub from a woody rootstock, the flowers pale yellow with large purple blotches on the deeply cut lobes of the lower lip.

18. Andrographis Beddomei, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 506.

Deccan, Nallamalai Hills of Kurnool, 2,000 ft. (Beddome, fide F. B. I.); Lankamalai Hills of Cuddapah, up to 1,000 ft. (Fischer). A many-branched nearly glabrous undershrub, the flowers white with purple spots on the lower lip.

19. Andrographis Glandulosa, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 505.

Deccan, in Mysore, hills of Cuddapah at 3,000 ft. (Gamble), on rocks.

A straggling small grey-pubescent undershrub, the flowers nearly white with a pale purple tinge on the lower lip.

20. Andrographis echioides, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 505; Wt. Ic. t. 467.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in all dry Districts, common.

An erect herb, villous with whitish hairs, the corolla pink or white with purple blotches on the lower lip.

21. Andrographis serpyllifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 517; F. B. I. iv. 506.

Deccan and Carnatic, on dry soil, laterite and trap, up to 3.000 ft.

A trailing and rooting procumbent herb from a stout rootstock, the flowers pale with purple blotches on the lower lip.

### 21. Haplanthus, Nees.

Erect herbs. Leaves entire, petioled. Flowers axillary, in false whorls, surrounded by numerous abortive branchlets reduced to cladodes and ending in spinous points (reduced leaves); bracts and bracteoles small. Calyx 5-partite, lobes linear-lanceolate. Corolla small, tubular, the tube slightly enlarged above, 2-lipped, the upper lip 2-fid, the lower 3-lobed. Stamens 2, shorter than the corolla and inserted below the throat; filaments flattened; anthers 2-celled, connivent; cells ovate, somewhat unequal, muticous, one cell with the connective bearded. Disk thick, prominent. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 3—8 in each cell; style slender; stigma linear. Fruit a linear-oblong capsule, compressed at right angles to the septum, 6—16-seeded. Seeds ellipsoid, densely hairy when wetted, retinacula obtuse.

Cladodes stout, quadrangular, '75—1.25 in. long, ending usually in 2 spinous teeth, villous and glandular-hairy; capsule glabrous, '4 in. long; leaves ovate, rounded at base and decurrent on the long petiole, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad

Cladodes very slender, subquadrangular, 5 in. long, ending in 2 or more teeth, villous with long soft hairs; capsule pubescent, 2 in. long; leaves ovate, rounded at base and decurrent on the long petiole, up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad

- Haplanthus verticillaris, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 506.
   Deccan, Ramandrúg Hills of Bellary (Beddome).
   A herbaceous plant, up to 3 ft. high, the corolla dark lilac with darker lines.
- HAPLANTHUS NFILGHERRYENSIS; Wt. Ic. t. 1556. H. tentaculatus var. neilgherrensis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 507.
   W. Gháts, Hills of Mysore, Coorg, S. Canara and Malabar, up

to 3,000 It.

An erect herbaceous plant, with the flowers and cladodes collected in conspicuous soft terminal spikes, the corolla bright blue (Hb. Madr.).

## 22. Gymnostachyum, Nees.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves cauline or subradical, entire or toothed. Flowers subsessile or shortly pedicellate, in axillary cymes or in a terminal spicate or racemose panicle; bracts and bracteoles very small. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes linear-lanceolate. Corolla-tube slender; limb short, 2-lipped, the lobes subequal, imbricate. Stamens 2, included or slightly exserted, filaments slender, usually villous near the base; anthers 2-celled, the cells subequal, oblong or ovate, glabrous or hairy. Ovary 2-celled; ovules, numerous in each cell; style slender; stigma subentire. Fruit a linear capsule, 16—24-seeded. Seeds ovoid, compressed, with soft hairs when wetted.

Inflorescence terminal; leaves chiefly at the base of the stem:—
Corolla large, 1—1.5 in. long, glabrous; leaf-blade ovate, rounded at base and then long-decurrent on the petiole, about 6 in. long; anthers bearded

Corolla moderate-sized, '7 in. long, puberulous; leaf-blade ovate, rounded or cordate at base, not decurrent, up to 3 in. long; anthers glabrous

2. polyanthum

Inflorescence axillary, sometimes also terminal:—
Corona small, up to 7 in. long, pubescent; leaves ovate, acute and slightly electrone at base, serrulate, 8 in. long or longer; anthers puberulous

1. Gymnostachyum febrifugum, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 508. G. alatum, Wt. Ic. t. 1525.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore. A small nearly stemless and scapigerous herb with apparently blue flowers, the large usually long-petioled leaves lineolate and undulate crenulate.

2. GYMNOSTACHYUM POLYANTHUM, Wt. Ic. t. 1494; F. B. I. iv. 508.

W. Gháts, in Coorg (Jerdon).
A scapigerous herb with a long inflorescence of small opposite cymes in a raceme, the leaves not lineolate though minutely punctate.

3. GYMNOSTACHYUM CANESCENS, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 509. G. serrulatum, T. And.; Bedd. Ic. t. 254. Cryptophragmium canescens,

Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1495.

W. Gháts, in Malabar, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Travancore and

Tinnevelly, up to 4,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A shrubby glandular-hairy plant with small flowers green and yellow (Meebold), the leaves large, lineolate and parallel-nerved, white-pubescent beneath when young.

4. GYMNOSTACHYUM LATIFOLIUM, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 509; Bedd. Ic. t.

253. Phlogacanthus latifolius, Wt. Ic. t. 1537.

W. Gháts, in S. Canara, Coorg and Malabar; Bababudan Hills

of Mysore, up to 4,000 ft.

A glabrous undershrub up to 3 ft. high with greenish yellow flowers, the very long-petioled leaves not lineolate, parallel-nerved, the lower nerves close together.

Var. decurrens, Gamble. Leaves acuminate at base and decurrent on the long petiole, the nerves equally spaced, the calyx-lobes rather shorter.

W. Gháts at Manantoddy, Wynaad (Lawson).

# 23. Diotacanthus, Benth.

Shrubs. Leaves large, membranous, entire or obscurely crenate, not or obscurely lineolate. Flowers in lax cymes, axillary or in terminal trichotomous panicles; bracts small, narrow; bracteoles minute. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes linear-subulate, subequal. Corolla-tube short; limb deeply 2-lipped, ventricose, the upper lip erect, emarginate or shortly 2-lobed, the lower spreading, 3-lobed, the bases shortly auricled. Stamens 2, about as long as the corolla; filaments thickened; anthers oblong, 2-celled, dorsifixed. Disk cupular, thick. Ovary 2-celled; ovules many in each cell; style filiform; stigma small, capitate. Fruit a linear terete capsule, 2-cleft from the base. Seeds many, about 24, compressed, hairy, especially when wet.

1. DIOTACANTHUS GRANDIS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 515. *Phlogacanthus grandis*, Bedd. Ic. t. 179.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to 4,000 ft.,

in dense moist forests.

A large shrub, reaching 12 ft. in height.

2. DIOTACANTHUS ALBIFLORUS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 515. *Phlogacanthus albiflorus*, Bedd. Ic. t. 180.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to 5,000 ft.,

in evergreen forest.

A shrub reaching 7—10 ft. in height.

#### 24. Crossandra, Salisb.

Undershrubs. Leaves opposite or whorled, entire or undulate, sometimes slightly toothed. Flowers sessile, yellow, in linear-oblong spikes; bracts rather large, imbricate; bracteoles linear or lanceolate. Calyx 5-partite to the base, upper 2-lobed, 2-nerved, 2 lower oblong, sometimes connate, 2 inner small, lanceolate. Corolla-tube long, linear, incurved; limb unilateral, forming a lip of 5 subequal lobes. Stamens 4, didynamous, included in the tube, anthers 1-celled. Ovary 2-celled, ovules 2 in each cell; style linear; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong acute capsule. Seeds 4, compressed, clothed with appressed fringed scales formed of many connate hairs.

CROSSANDRA UNDULAEFOLIA, Salisb.; F. B. I. iv. 492. C. axillaris,

Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 460.

Deccan, from the Godavari southwards, west to the Gháts, in open forest land, commonly planted in gardens and about temples.

A pretty undershrub up to 3 ft. high with orange-yellow flowers and whorled leaves, lanceolate, acute, decurrent at base, up to

6 in. long, 2 in. broad.

## 25. Barleria, Linn.

Small shrubs or undershrubs, spinous or unarmed. Leaves opposite, entire, usually lineolate with cystoliths. Flowers showy, solitary or in lax or dense spikes or racemes or helicoid cymes often crowded towards the ends of the branches; bracts 1 fertile, 1 sterile, sometimes reduced to spines; bracteoles 0. Calyx deeply 4-partite, the lobes in opposite pairs, the outer pair the larger with the anterior lobe more or less bifid and apparently of 2 connate lobes. Corolla large, the tube more or less cylindric at base, funnel-shaped above; lobes 5, subequal, imbricate in bud. Stamens 2 long and fertile with oblong 2-celled anthers, 2 small and rudimentary with anthers having sometimes a little pollen, often a fifth quite rudimentary. Disk large, cupular, half embracing the ovary. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long; stigma bifid or

subentire. Fruit an ovoid or oblong capsule 2- or 4-seeded below the middle. Seeds compressed, usually clothed with wavy silky appressed hairs, rarely glabrous.

Shrubs or undershrubs with sharp intrapetiolar spines, usually white;

bracts except the spines:—

Shrubs or undershrubs without spines:—
Flowers in loose many-branched leafy panicles of solitary flowers or somewhat scorpioid cymes; bracts linear; leaves rather small, hairy; capsule 4-seeded,

the seeds with appressed hairs:-

Corolla cylindric below, then funnel-shaped, the tube 2 in. long, lobes elliptic-ovate, '75 in. long; leaves elliptic or ovate, acuminate at both ends, yellowish-hirsute with spreading hairs, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad

Corolla-tube cylindric, scarcely enlarged above, ·75—1·5 in. long, lobes orbicular, ·3 in. in diam.; leaves ovate, acute, obtuse at base, softly and shortly appressed-tomentose, pale beneath, up to 2 in. long, 1·5 in. broad 8. acuminata.

Outer calyx-lobes ovate-orbicular, reticulate and about 5—7-nerved, with spinescent teeth, 5 in. in diam.; corolla-tube slender, gradually enlarging upwards, about 1 in. long, lobes obovate, about 6 in. long; leaves thin, ovate-acuminate, softly villous, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, long-petioled...9. pilosa. Flowers large, in a panicle of terminal and axillary helicoid racemes at the ends of the branches; bracts linear; leaves large and glabrescent; capsule 4-seeded, the large seeds appressed-hairy:—

Corolla-tube at first cylindric, soon widening and funnel-shaped, expanding in obovate lobes 3—3·5 in. long in all; outer calyx-lobes oblong, I in. long, tawny-pubescent, inner ·5 in. long; leaves elliptic, acuminate at both ends, sparsely pubescent, up to 12 in. long, 3 in. broad......10. involucrata var. elata. Corolla-tube cylindric, funnel-shaped at top, the lobes suborbicular, emarginate, 2·5—3 in. long in all; outer calyx-lobes lanceolate, one deeply bifid, 5—7 in. long, inner ovate, long-apiculate, 4 in. long; leaves membranous, elliptic, long-acuminate at both ends, pilose, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad

Flowers medium-sized or large, in axillary and terminal spikes or racemes or sometimes solitary, closer and less leafy upwards:-

Outer calyx-lobes not spinous-ciliate:-

Flowers in tawny-pubescent racemes with very short pedicels; bracts linearoblong, 4—7 in long, glandular; outer calyx-lobes elliptic-ovate, nervose, one acuminate, the other shortly bilobed, 1 in long, inner lanccolate, 3 in long; corolla long- and narrowly-funnel-shaped, pubescent, veined, 3-3.5 in. long; leaves lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. .....12.

Flowers in glandular-hairy tawny spikes; bracts linear, 3 in. long; outer calyx-lobes ovate or ovate-lanceolate, nervose, one slightly bifid at apex, 75—1 in. long; corolla with short cylindric tube, then funnel-shaped, glabrous, lobes obovate, 1.5—2.5 in. long in all; leaves lanceolate or elliptic, acuminate at both ends, glabrous, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad

13. courtallica. Outer calyx-lobes spinous-ciliate, ovate-lanceolate, hairy, mucronate or one sometimes bimucronate, prominently nerved and reticulate, at length white, about 75 in. long, inner smaller; flowers in dense strigosely hairy spikes; bracts linear, usually reflexed, spinous-ciliate, 5 in. long; corolla-tube cylindric then funnel-shaped, lobes ovate, 1—2 in. long in all; leaves variable, ovate or lanceolate or linear-oblong, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad.......14. cristata.

Flowers large, solitary in upper leaf-axils and gradually passing into terminal spikes:-

Seeds densely silky:-

Outer calyx-lobes 1 in. long, prominently ciliate with long hairs, one lanceolate 3-nerved, the other bifid to the middle each side 2-nerved, inner pair linear, 75 in. long; bracts oblong, longer than the calyx; corolla-tube cylindric below funnel-shaped above, lobes obovate emarginate, in all 2 in. long; leaves ovate, sessile, nearly glabrous, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad

15. Stocksii. Outer calyx-lobes 1.5 in. long, nearly glabrous, ovate, .75 in. broad, one sometimes slightly bifid, inner pair linear, .75 in. long; bracts linear-spathulate, shorter than the calyx; corolla tube funnel-shaped, lobes obovate, 2—2.5 in. in all; leaves ovate-lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, glabrous, 

Seeds glabrous, black; outer calyx-lobes elliptic, acute, 1.25 in. long, 5-75 in. broad, glabrous; bracts subulate, 5 in. long; corolla-tube broadly funnelshaped, lobes obovate, up to 2.5 in. long in all; leaves ovate or lanceolate, 

Flowers in dense unilateral spikes at the ends of the branchlets; outer calyx-lobes

with 9—11 nerves radiating from the base, scarious in fruit; corolla cylindric below, funnel-shaped above, 1.5—2 in. long; capsule 4-seeded:—

Leaves large, ovate, acuminate, long-decurrent on the petiole, glabrate, up to 9 in. long, 4.5 in. broad, main nerves 6—8 pairs; bracts ovate or lanceolate, shorter than the calyx; outer calyx-lobes subequal but one sometimes shortly long stiff hairs, up to 1.25 in. long, .75 in. broad, inner linear, strigose, .4 in.

- 1. Barleria Prionitis, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 482; Wt. Ic. t. 452. All plains Districts, especially the Deccan and Carnatic, chiefly on waste lands and roadsides, sometimes planted in hedges. A prickly very variable shrub with yellow, or sometimes whitish, flowers. Vern. Hind. Katsareya; Tel. Mulu govinda.
- 2. Barleria cuspidata, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 483; Wt. Ic. t. 451. Dry Districts of the Circars, Deccan and Carnatic.

A very prickly small shrub with white yellow or fawn-coloured flowers and very long straight thorns.

3. Barleria Buxifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 483; Wt. Ic. t. 870. Dry Districts of the Deccan and Carnatic, up to 4,000 ft., chiefly

on roadsides and waste lands. A small very prickly hairy shrub with pink or white flowers, sometimes with long pedicels, but more often nearly sessile. The

calyx-lobes enlarge and become scarious in fruit.

4. Barleria Mysorensis, Roth; F. B. I. iv. 484.

W. Deccan, in Coimbatore, dry places in Malabar and Travan-

A small prickly shrub with blue or purple flowers, the spines usually long.

5. Barleria noctiflora, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 484.

Deccan and Carnatic, chiefly in somewhat hilly country, on dry waste lands.

A small very prickly shrub, colour of flowers not recorded. The spines are sometimes leafy-margined, showing their bracteate character.

6. Barleria longiflora, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 485.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, especially on dry rocky hills. A shrub with very white appearance and very long white flowers, sometimes reaching even 6 inches, usually solitary with a small branchlet opposite.

7. BARLERIA TOMENTOSA, Roth; F. B. I. iv. 485.

Deccan and Carnatic, from the Kistna river southwards, westwards to the drier E. slopes of the W. Gháts up to 4,000 ft. A low shrub with rose-coloured (?) flowers and obovoid capsules.

8. Barleria acuminata, Wt. Ic. t. 450. B. tomentosa, Roth. var. acu-

minata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 485.

Deccan, Carnatic and E. side of W. Gháts, up to 5,000 ft. A low shrub with apparently blue flowers. It is near to the last but is quite distinct in its flowers and indumentum and in the shape of the leaves. The capsules are narrower.

9. Barleria Pilosa, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 486; Bedd. Ic. t. 256.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly up to 1,500 ft.

A small softly pilose undershrub with sky-blue flowers, solitary in the leaf-axils.

10. Barleria involucrata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 486; Wt. Ill. t. 164. Var. elata, C. B. Clarke.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in Shola forests at 3,000-6,000 ft. A handsome shrub reaching 6 ft. in height, the large flowers

11. BARLERIA PANICULATA, Wall.: B. tomentosa, Roth; F. B. I. iv. 485

in part. Foot of the W. Gháts, in Malabar, Cochin and Travancore, often on rocky river banks (Bourne).

A pretty shrub with rose pink flowers. 12. BARLERIA LAWII, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 486. B. Beddomei, T. And. ex Bedd. Ic. t. 258.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law fide T. And.).

A shrub with long white flowers, prominently veined when dry.

13. Barleria courtallica, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 489; Wt. Ic. t. 1529. N. Circars, Rampa Hills of Godavari, at 2,000 ft. (Gamble); W. Gháts, in all Districts, in open places in evergreen forests at low elevations.

A shrub reaching 3—4 ft. high with large blue flowers, yellow

in the tube.

14. BARLERIA CRISTATA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 488; Wt. Ic. t. 453.

All dry plains Districts, in deciduous forest or bushy places, up to about 3,000 ft., sometimes cultivated in gardens.

A nearly herbaceous hairy undershrub with usually blue but sometimes pink or even white flowers, very variable in the leaves and calyx-lobes. The Circar specimens show usually narrow leaves, the W. Coast ones rounded leaves.

15. Barleria Stocksii, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 489.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Stocks), Kottakota and Gootoor Hills of Anantapur at 2,000 ft. (Gamble).

A small undershrub with pink (?) flowers and a beaked capsule

with floccosely woolly seeds.

16. Barleria montana, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 487.

N. Circars, Godavari valley (Gamble); Kambakam Hill in Chingleput (Cleghorn); hills of Coimbatore and Madura (Fischer); Cochin, at Trichoor (Wight).

A subherbaceous undershrub with blue flowers and an acuminate

capsule with wavily silky seeds.

17. BARLERIA GIBSONI, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 487. B. montana, Bedd. Ic. t. 257.

Deccan, Nallamalai Hills of Kurnool, Ramandrúg in Bellary; W. Gháts, Coorg, Malabar, Anamalais (Beddome, etc.).

A glabrous undershrub with pink flowers and black flat glabrous

seeds.

18. Barleria strigosa, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 489.

N. Circars, in all Forest undergrowth, up to 4,000 ft., common; Deccan, in the forests of the Kurnool Nallamalais and Ramandrúg in Bellary, scarce.

A shrub reaching 4 ft. high with large blue flowers, the seeds

very shaggy with long white hairs when wet.

19. Barleria Nitida, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 490; Wt. Ic. t. 454.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly.

A small shrub with blue flowers, the seeds with appressed brown hairs.

#### 26. Neuracanthus, Nees.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, entire. Flowers small, spicate, the spikes axillary or terminal, elongate, strobilate or capitate; bracts ovate, imbricate, strongly nerved; bracteoles 0 or minute. Calyx 2-partite, the posterior lip 3-, the anterior 2-lobed. Corolla tubular below, funnel-shaped above; limb plicate, entire or subbilabilate. Stamens 4, didynamous, included, inserted on the middle of the tube;

anterior anthers perfectly 2-celled, posterior with 1 perfect, 1 imperfect cell. Disk inconspicuous. Ovary 2-celled; ovules usually 2 in each cell; style short; stigma of one oblong lobe. Fruit an oblong glabrous capsule, 4-seeded. Seeds much compressed, ovoid or suborbicular, silky.

NEURACANTHUS NEESIANUS, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 491.
Carnatic, Polur in N. Arcot, on black cotton soil (Wight).
A procumbent hoary-tomentose undershrub with thick leaves about 2 in. long, 1 in. broad, the flowers very small in dense terminal bracteate spikes.

#### 27. Asystasia, Blume.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, entire or rarely wide-toothed; usually lineolate. Flowers in lax or dense, usually 1-sided, simple or compound, spikes or racemes; bracts opposite, usually very small, bracteoles usually minute. Calyx deeply 5-partite, the labes equal, linear or lanceolate. Corolla-tube cylindric below, inflated above, ventricose or funnel-shaped; lobes 5 subequal, imbricate in bud. Stamens 4, didynamous, perfect; filaments connate at the base in pairs; anthers oblong, the cells parallel, approximate, minutely spurred at the base or muticous. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style linear; stigma 2-fid or subcapitate. Fruit an elliptic capsule with a contracted solid base, opening widely in a reflexed curve. Seeds 4, compressed, orbicular or angular, glabrous, rugose or tuberculate.

1. Asystasia gangetica, T. And. A. coromandeliana, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 493.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, especially near the sea, westwards to the E. slopes of the Gháts; often cultivated in gardens. A straggling, often somewhat climbing, perennial herb with smallish leaves and variable flowers, white blue purple or yellow.

2. Asystasia chelonoides, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 493. Var. quadrangularis, C. B. Clarke.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, 2,000—5,000 ft,

A straggling herb with membranous leaves, sparingly strigosely hairy, up to 9 in. long, 3 in. broad.

3. Asystasia violacea, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 494.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara southwards, at low levels. An erect herb with membranous nearly glabrous leaves.

4. Asystasia travancorica, Bedd. Ic. t. 178; F. B. I. iv. 494. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Barber) at 3,000 ft.; hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, especially in the south.

A large shrub with narrow leaves reaching 5 in. in length and at most, though rarely, 1 in. in diam. It grows to 8 ft. in height and is the handsomest species of the genus (Beddome).

5. Asystasia crispata, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 494. A. coromandeliana, Wt. Ic. t. 1506, not of Nees.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at 4,000-8,000 ft., in Shola

forests.

A branching herbaceous undershrub with crispate or sometimes entire leaves variable in size but often up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad.

6. Asystasia Lawiana, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 496.

W. Deccan, in Mysore and Coorg.

An erect herbaceous plant reaching 3 ft. in height, the leaves up to 3 in. long, 1 5 in. broad, the flowers white.

#### 28. Pseuderanthemum, Radlkf.

Glabrous shrubs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, usually lineolate. Flowers subsessile, solitary or 1—3 together in the axils of opposite bracts arranged in terminal dense or interrupted simple or branched spikes; bracteoles small, narrow. Calyx 5-fid or 5-partite, the lobes narrow subequal. Corolla-tube elongate, cylindric, narrow, rarely widened at the throat; limb 5-partite, the lobes elliptic, spreading, flat, unequal. Stamens 2 fertile with usually 2 upper small clavate staminodes; anthers 2-celled, the cells oblong, equal, parallel, the connective widened. Disk annular or cupular. Ovary 2-celled, usually glabrous; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma entire or shortly 2-lobed. Fruit an oblong capsule with contracted solid stalk, 4-seeded. Seeds compressed, orbicular, smooth or rugose, on acute retinacula.

PSEUDERANTHEMUM MALABARICUM, Gamble n. comb. Eranthemum malabaricum, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 497.

N. Circars, Palkonda Hills of Vizagapatam (Gamble); Deccan, in Mysore and N. Arcot; W. Gháts from S. Canara to Travancore, in evergreen forest.

An undershrub with white flowers, the leaves ovate or elliptic, acuminate, up to about 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, the capsule valves springing back, the seeds wavy-rugose.

#### 29. Lepidagathis, Willd.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves entire or crenate-serrate, usually lineolate. Flowers sessile, usually capitate, sometimes opposite and solitary, the heads terminal or axillary, sometimes densely crowded at the base of the plant; bracts usually conspicuous, bracteoles smaller. Calyx deeply 5-lobed, the upper lobe large, the 2 lower opposite it and usually more or less joined, the 2 inner smaller and narrower. Corolla-tube cylindric below, above suddenly expanded and 2-lipped, the upper lip erect 2-fid, the lower 3-lobed, usually spotted. Stamens 4, didynamous; anthers 2-celled, the cells oblong, opposite or one above the other. Disk annular. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2, rarely 1, in each cell; style slender; stigma capitellate, shortly 2-lobed or entire. Fruit a compressed conoid or oblong capsule. Seeds 2 or 4, flattened, hairy.

Capsule 2-seeded, 2-valved from the subsolid tip:-

Spikes aggregated at the base of the stem in globose cushions:-Bracts and calyx-lobes with dense soft silky hairs, no stiff ones:-

Bracts and calyx-lobes long spinous-mucronate, the bracts broadly ovate; lower calvx-lobes joined to about half-way up; leaves linear-oblong, lineolate, Bracts and calvx-lobes shortly spinous-mucronate, the bracts broad, obtuse; lower calyx-lobes joined to near the top; leaves oblong or obovate, scabrous on the 5-6 pairs of nerves beneath, ciliate, up to 1.5 in. long, 4 in. broad

Bracts and calvx-lobes glabrescent but ciliate with long stiff white hairs, all long-spinous mucronate:-

Bracts ovate, suddenly long spinous-acuminate; lower calyx-lobes joined to about 3rds the way up; leaves ovate or obovate-oblong, obtuse, up to 1.5 in. long, 6 in. broad, prominently 5-6-nerved, scabrous on the nerves beneath 3. subarmata.

Bracts lanceolate, long spinous-acuminate; lower calyx-lobes joined to halfway up; leaves linear or narrowly oblong, scabrous on the nerves beneath, ciliate on the margins, up to 4 in. long, 4 in. broad, nerves 5-7 pairs, distant......4. Hamiltoniana. Spikes ovoid, not aggregated at the base of the stem but axillary on the

branches:-

Leaves spinous-mucronate, coriaceous:-One spine usually only at the tip of the small obovate obtuse leaf scarcely ·5 in. long; lower calyx-lobes not joined; heads ovoid, ·5—·75 in. long, the bracts and calyx-lobes all long, spreading or recurved spinous-acuminate

Margins of the leaves spinous-serrate as well as the tip:-Leaves ovate with about 3—4 sharp spinous-mucronate teeth on either side, up to 75 in. long, 5 in. broad; lower calyx-lobes joined to about one-third of the way up; heads broadly ovoid, about 5 in. long, the spreading bracts and the calyx-lobes long spinous-mucronate, very woolly Leaves ovate-oblong with about 3 short spinous teeth on either side, up to 75 in. long, 25 in. broad; lower calyx-lobes joined to about one-half of the way up; heads ovoid, about 5 in. long, the closely adpressed bracts and calyx-lobes shortly spinous-mucronate and with soft hairs

7. Barberi. Leaves not spinous-mucronate or coriaceous, linear or elliptic, nearly glabrous, up to 1.25 in. long, 1-3 in. broad; lower calyx-lobes joined to about onefourth the way up; heads ovoid, 5-75 in. long, usually axillary but sometimes also aggregated at the base of the stem, the bracts and calvx-lobes long-

Leaves entire or undulate:-

Flowers in elongate villous spikes, the bracts coriaceous, 3-ribbed, sharply

mucronate; lower calyx-lobes joined about 4 way up, 3-ribbed as is the larger upper lobe; corolla-tube short, slightly villous within; anther-cells at rather different levels; leaves of the main stem lanceolate, acuminate, long-decurrent at base, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, upper leaves smaller, sometimes almost

Flowers in congested heads, the bracts scarious, mucronate:-Heads terminal ovoid, the bracts obovate, many-ribbed, lower calyx-lobes joined about  $\frac{1}{3}$  way up, 3-ribbed, upper larger, 7-ribbed; corolla-tube short, villous at the middle within; anther-cells equal and opposite, filaments long and slender; leaves ovate, tawny-pubescent beneath, long-petioled, up to 1.5 hyaline, 1-nerved, ciliate; lower calyx-lobes very narrow, 1-nerved, joined to half way up, upper slightly larger; corolla-tube long, glabrous; anthercells small, one a little above the other; filaments short; leaves variable, lanceolate, acuminate, decurrent at base, up to 6 in. long, 2.5 in. broad

Leaves crenate-serrate, ovate or lanceolate, acuminate, obtuse and then acumi-

1. Lepidagathis cristata, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 516; Wt. Ic. t. 455.

N. Circars and Carnatic, in dry places and on rocks.

A stiff undershrub, the branches procumbent from a hard central rootstock, sometimes with occasional globose small heads of flowers in the axils; corolla white, spotted with brown and purple.

2. LEPIDAGATHIS MITIS, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 516.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry sandy places, especially in Nellore, Cuddapah and N. Arcot; plains of S. Canara.

A stiff undershrub, similar to the last but the globose flower heads denser and hardly spinous and more woolly; corolla white or pale pink, spotted with brown and purple.

3. LEPIDAGATHIS SUBARMATA, Gamble n. comb. L. mitis var. subarmata, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 516. L. rupestris, Bedd. Ic. t. 229.

Deccan, Cuddapah and Kurnool to Coimbatore, chiefly on black cotton soil.

A stiff undershrub, the globose flower heads smaller.

4. LEPIDAGATHIS HAMILTONIANA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 516.

N. Circars, open places in the Ganjam Sál forests (Gamble).

A stiff undershrub, the branches sometimes bearing heads smaller than those at the base of the stem.

5. Lepidagathis spinosa, Wt. ex Nees; F. B. I. iv. 517.

S. Carnatic, plains of Tinnevelly.

A stiff prostrate much-branched spinous shrub.

6. Lepidagathis pungens, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 517.

S. Carnatic, near Palamcottah in Tinnevelly. A stiff much-branched small spinous shrub.

7. Lepidagathis Barberi, Gamble n. comb. L. pungens, Wt. Ic. t. 456, not of Nees.

W. and S. Carnatic, plains of Coimbatore, Madura and Tinne-

velly (Barber, Beddome, Fischer).

A much-branched small shrub with white stems, usually erect.

8. Lepidagathis diffusa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 518.

Deccan and W. Carnatic, Mysore, Bellary and Coimbatore.

A low straggling shrublet from a woody rootstock.

9. Lepidagathis cuspidata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 519; Bedd. Ic. t. 227.
N. Circars and Deccan, up to about 6,000 ft. in the hills, Coorg.
An erect undershrub, up to about 3 ft. high, the corolla white with purplish spots.

10. Lepidagathis scariosa, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 520; Wt. Ic. t. 457. Carnatic and E. slopes of the W. Gháts, from Coimbatore south-

wards.

A small undershrub, the corolla apparently white or pale yellow. 11. Lepidagathis hyalina, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 521.

All Districts, by roadsides and in dry forest undergrowth.

A small perennial herb with a woody rootstock, very variable in its leaves and the size of the flower spikes. All the S. Indian specimens seem, as the F. B. I. says, to be var. mucronata, C. B. Clarke, except a few which are var. lophostachyoides, but it is difficult to separate the vars. The corolla is white with brown spots on the palate.

12. Lepidagathis fasciculata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 522; Bedd. Ic. t. 228. N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills; S. Canara and Mysore, in forest undergrowth and in rocky places. A herbaceous, soft, villous plant, the corolla white with purple

spots.

## 30. Monothecium, Hochst.

Diffuse herbs. Leaves entire, lineolate. Flowers in small sessile dense, ovate or oblong, unilateral spikes; bracts and bracteoles linear-setaceous. Calyx 5-lobed, lobes equal, linear-setaceous. Corolla small, tube short, limb deeply 2-lipped. Stamens 2; anthers 1-celled, muticous. Ovary 2-celled, hairy; style slender; stigma minutely bifid. Fruit a small oblong capsule, the base solid. Seeds 4, compressed, truncate above, testa rugosely furrowed, retinacula obtuse.

Monothecium aristatum, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 524; Bedd. Ic. t. 269. W. Gháts, hills of S. Coimbatore at 1,200 ft. (Fischer), hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, in dry open forests (Beddome, Ven-

koba Rao).

A branching procumbent often rooting small undershrub, the corolla white with spots on the lower lip, the leaves ovate, pubescent, up to 1.5 in. long.

#### 31. Rungia, Nees.

Erect or diffuse herbs or undershrubs. Leaves entire, usually and prominently lineolate. Flowers in dense terminal or axillary one-sided spikes; bracts in 2 or 4 rows, 2 of the rows usually without flowers, sometimes similar to but often different from the flowering bracts which usually have scarious hyaline margins; bracteoles narrower than the flowering bracts. Calyx 5-partite, lobes linear-lanceolate. Corolla small, blue or white; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip acute or emarginate, the lower longer 3-lobed. Stamens 2; anthers 2-celled, the cells usually

superposed, the lower cell often with a white basal appendage. *Ovary* 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma minutely bifid. *Fruit* an ovoid or oblong capsule, the placentas and retinacula elastically separating from the base after dehiscence. *Seeds* 4, compressed, orbicular, minutely tuberculate or concentrically ridged.

Barren bracts and flowering bracts similar or very nearly so; upper lip of corolla broad, emarginate:—

Spikes narrow and slender, quite 1-sided, on filiform peduncles; bracts lanceolate, mucronate, very narrowly scarious-margined; leaves lanceolate, acute, glabrous or puberulous, up to 1.5 in. long, 5 in. broad, main nerves 3—5 pairs

Both kinds of bracts prominently white-scarious-margined, sub-similar, the barren ones usually narrower:—

 Rungia Linifolia, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 548. Rostellularia gracilis, Wt. Ic. t. 1541.

Mysore, at Aglatti, 3,500 ft. (Meebold in Hb. Calc.).

A very slender herb, erect but often rooting from lower nodes, the anthers not appendaged at base, the flowers said to be pale purple.

2. Rungia apiculata, Bedd. Ic. t. 247; F. B. I. iv. 548.

W. Gháts, hills of Madura and Tinnevelly, at 2,000—5,000 ft., in the beds of streams.

A slender undershrub, rooting at lower nodes, then erect, the corollas white with lilac spots, the seeds minutely tuberculate.

3. Rungia Repens, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 549; Wt. Ic. t. 465.

N. Circars, in Godavari and Kistna; Deccan and N. Carnatic, in all Districts, west to the foot of the Gháts.

A decumbent or erect, often rooting, herb with angular zigzag stems and conspicuous spikes often 4 in. long, the bract-margins hyaline; flowers white, blue or pink; seeds concentrically ridged.

4. Rungia Wightiana, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 546; Wt. Ic. t. 1549. R.

Arnottiana, Wt. Ic. t. 1550.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, 2,000—5,000 ft.

An erect undershrub with white flowers, the lower lip veined with lilac, the seeds minutely tuberculate.

5. Rungia latior, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 546; Wt. Ic. t. 548. R. longifolia var. latifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 547.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, at about 3,000—6,000 ft.

A stout erect herb with white or pale blue flowers, the leaves reticulately nerved.

6. Rungia sisparensis, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 546.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Coimbatore and Malabar, at 3,000—4,000 ft.

A shrubby nearly glabrous plant with one-sided spikes and purplish bracts, the seeds minutely tuberculate in concentric lines.

7. Rungia laeta, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 546.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Madura and Travancore, at 5,000—7,000 ft.

A shrubby plant with stout terete zigzag stems and white flowers with purple spots, the seeds minutely tuberculate in concentric lines.

8. Rungia parviflora, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 550. R. longifolia, Bedd. Ic. t. 266, not of Nees.

W. Coast and lower parts of W. Gháts in Madura, Tinnevelly and Travancore, in dry forests in the low country.

A small soft herb with membranous leaves and small spikes of blue flowers, the fertile bracts glabrous except the ciliate margins. The small plant from Ceylon (Bedd. Ic. t. 266) with linear spathulate leaves has been found at Kolatoor in Travancore (Bourdillon).

Var. pectinata, C. B. Clarke l. c. R. pectinata, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1547. Larger and with larger and broader spikes and larger leaves, the floral bracts villous, the barren bracts prominently pectinately arranged.

All Districts, in fairly moist places, along streams and in forest undergrowth and grassy pasture lands, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills.

Var. muralis, C. B. Clarke l. c. Much smaller, many branched, with very small ovate or orbicular leaves and rather long dense-flowered secund strobiliform spikes, the barren bracts scarcely longer than the almost woolly fertile ones.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, on dry fields and on walls. Var. monticola, Gamble. Erect, almost an undershrub, with strigosely villous stems and leaves, the latter ovate up to about 1 in.

long; spikes short, about '5 in. long, barren bracts long-mucronate, longer than the very white woolly fertile ones; flowers bright blue.

N. Circars, top of Mahendragiri at 4,500 ft. (Gamble, Fischer and Gage); Karimalai and Ayamalai hills of Malabar, at 4,000—5,000 ft. (Fischer), on rocks and among grass.

#### 32. Dicliptera, Juss.

Erect or diffuse herbs. Leaves entire or undulate, lineolate. Flowers sessile or subsessile, in axillary or terminal clusters or panicles of cymes, often with imperfect flowers or flowerless bracts added, one or more enclosed within a pair of opposite inflorescence bracts; flowering bracts smaller and in often unequal pairs; bracteoles linear, about equalling the similar calyx-lobes. Corolla white, pink or red, purple-spotted; tube slender, limb 2-lipped, the upper lip narrow, entire or emarginate, the lower 3-lobed recurved. Stamens 2; anthers 2-celled, the cells superposed, muticous. Ovary 2-celled; 2 ovules in each cell; style filiform; stigma bifid. Fruit a clavate capsule with a solid stalk; placentas separating elastically from the base after dehiscence. Seeds ovoid or orbicular, compressed, verrucose or glandular-papillose, the papillæ sometimes glochidiate.

Flowers in slender divaricately branched panicles, the inflorescence bracts lanceolate but gradually reduced in size to minutely linear; flowering bracts and bracteoles minute, like the calyx-lobes, 05—1 in. long; leaves ovate, acuminate, membranous, nearly glabrous, up to 5 in. long, 2—3 in. broad, long-petioled

Flowers in lax panicles with white-hairy branches, the inflorescence bracts linear oblong, mucronate, ciliate, gradually reduced to linear, flowering bracts spathulate, bracteoles linear lanceolate as are the rather smaller calyx-lobes; leaves ovate, acuminate, minutely pubescent, up to 5.5 in. long, 3.25 in. broad, long-petioled 2. Beddomei.

- 1. DICLIPTERA PARVIBRACTEATA, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 551.
  - N. Circars, in Jaipur Hills (Beddome), Rampa Hills of Godavari, at 2,000 ft. (Gamble).
  - A tall slender herb with elongate trichotomous cymes of apparently pink flowers.
- 2. DICLIPTERA BEDDOMEI, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 551. Deccan, Nallamalai Hills of Kurnool (Beddome).
  - A slender herb with flowers in rather short trichotomous cymes.

- 3. Dicliptera Zeylanica, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 552. D. bivalvis, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1551.
  - W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, in evergreen forests, at 2,000—3,000 ft.
  - A well-marked subscandent (Cooke) herb with conspicuous bracts and deep rose-coloured flowers, the seeds minutely glochidiate-papillose. The stems vary in pubescence from glabrous to densely white-woolly.
- 4. DICLIPTERA CUNEATA, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 552; Wt. Ic. t. 1552.

  Deccan, Horsleykonda in Chittoor, at 4,000 ft. (Fischer), hills of N. Coimbatore; Carnatic, hills of Salem, Trichinopoly and Madura to S. Travancore; W. Gháts in Wynaad, about 3,000 ft. A branching herb with, apparently, pink flowers, the seeds glochidiate-papillose.
- 5. DICLIPTERA BUPLEUROIDES, Nees. D. Roxburghiana var. bupleuroides, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 554.
  - N. Circars, hill forests of Ganjam, about 1,500 ft. (Gamble, Barber).
  - An erect or tufted herbaceous plant with white flowers spotted with purple.

## 33. Ecbolium, Kurz.

Shrubs, nearly glabrous. Leaves entire. Flowers in dense terminal spikes; bracts large, leafy, imbricate, sometimes toothed; bracteoles small, narrow. Calyx 5-partite, connate below; lobes linear. Corollatube very long and slender; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip narrow, shortly 2-fid, the lower 3-lobed with broad pendent lobes. Stamens 2, attached near the top of the tube; anthers 2-celled, linear, parallel, muticous. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma shortly 2-fid. Fruit an ovoid compressed capsule narrowed into a solid stalk. Seeds 4 or, more often, 2, large, compressed, tuberculate and scabrous, the retinacula long and curved.

Ecbolium Linneanum, Kurz; F. B. I. iv. 544; Wt. Ic. t. 463. Deccan and Carnatic, inland to Coimbatore, otherwise chiefly from Madras southwards.

A low shrub with bluish-green corolla, the bracts obtuse or slightly acute, the spikes short and leaves small and pubescent. The leaves are used in medicine. Vern. *Hind*. Udu jati.

Var. rotundifolium, C. B. Clarke l.c. Leaves small sessile, ovate; bracts shortly aristate.

Deccan, about Coimbatore (Wight).

Var. laetevirens, C. B. Clarke l.c. Leaves glabrescent, longer and larger and more acuminate, more prominently nerved; spikes long, up to 8 in., bracts broadly lanceolate, aristate.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, at low levels, common.

Var. dentatum, C. B. Clarke l.c. Leaves glabrous, larger still and much attenuate at base, spikes long, bracts ovate acuminate, dentate. N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in forest areas chiefly.

#### 34. Justicia, Linn.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs. Leaves entire, usually lineolate with often very many raphides. Flowers sessile or subsessile, in spikes or panicles, rarely solitary; bracts various, bracteoles usually narrow, sometimes 0. Calyx 5- or 4-partite, the lobes narrow. Corolla-tube as long as or shorter than the limb; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip 2-lobed or sub-entire, the lower 3-lobed, the lobes imbricate in bud. Stamens 2; filaments often dilated; anthers 2-celled, the cells round or oblong usually more or less separate, the lower always with a white basal appendage. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma shortly 2-fid. Fruit an ovoid or obovoid capsule, solid at base or not, often papery. Seeds 4, ovoid or suborbicular, more or less compressed, tuberculate rugose or echinate, not hygroscopically hairy.

Calvx-lobes 5, equal or nearly so:-

Erect shrubs; flowers large, in opposite clusters in elongate, often paniculate, spikes or racemes; capsule clavate, 4-seeded near the top, about 1 in. long; leaves oblong-lanceolate, obtusely acuminate at apex, acuminate at base, glabrous, Shrubs or herbs; flowers middle-sized, in continuous spikes with conspicuous imbricate bracts:-

Bracts white with green nerves, bracteoles similar:-

Flower spikes large and conspicuous, terminal, often panicled; bracts ·5—·75

Tall shrub, sometimes branching and decumbent; leaves petioled, ovate or lanceolate, acuminate, shortly attenuate at base, glabrous or villous beneath, entire or crenate-dentate, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad; capsule ·3—·5 in. long, clavate, pubescent, the seeds small, spinulose when wetted

Low procumbent much-branched undershrub; leaves sessile, oblong, obtuse or emarginate, nearly glabrous, entire, up to 2 in long, 2-5 in broad; capsule '75 in. long, clavate, puberulous, the seeds large, echinate when wetted 3. nilgherrensis.

Flower spikes small and slender; bracts about 25 in. long, narrow; leaves ovate or oblong, sometimes linear, up to 1.5 in. long, 4 in. broad; capsule ·5 in. long, pubescent, the seeds small, softly tuberculate when wet

Bracts green; bracteoles different, often 0; the seeds softly echinate when

Stiff undershrubs with white bark and small leaves:-

Branches softly white-hairy; bracts elliptic, acute, about 1-2 in. long, Branches glabrous except sometimes the uppermost branchlets; bracts orbicular or obcordate, short-apiculate, pubescent, 15-25 in. in diam., bracteoles linear or slightly elliptic, shorter; spikes short or elongate, bracts orbicular-spathulate, bracteoles small linear, sometimes absent; spikes sometimes short, usually long and many-flowered; capsules obovoid, glabrous 

branched often paniculate spikes, the bracts inconspicuous and narrow:-

Flowers clustered in the spikes; bracts linear, very small, bracteoles 0; leaves short-petioled, narrowly lanceolate, glabrous, up to 5 in. long, 1 in. broad, seeds unknown.....

Flowers opposite in the spikes; bracts linear-lanceolate, bracteoles linear, small; leaves long-petioled, elliptic, acuminate at both ends, glabrous or pubescent, up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves 8—10 pairs, prominent; capsule 4-sided, clavate, very villous, 7 in. long, seeds softly round-tuberculate

Herbaceous plant with flowers in lax axillary and terminal cymes, the bracts and bracteoles very small, linear; leaves broadly ovate, acute, obtuse or even subcordate at base and then acute into the long petiole, glabrous, minutely lineolate, up to 4 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves about 6—7 pairs; capsule 4-sided, clavate, villous, the seeds very villous, on jointed retinacula...10. glabra.

Calyx-lobes 4; herbs and undershrubs with small flowers in terminal and axillary cylindric or linear spikes:—

Spikes cylindric, hairy; bracts and bracteoles as long as or longer than the calyx-lobes:—

Bracts and bracteoles very slender and long, with distant spreading long bulbous-based white hairs; calyx-lobes similar or only apiculate, their margins scarious; spikes up to 1.5 in. long, 4 in. broad; leaves thin, ovate or elliptic, up to 2 in. long, the raphides irregular in the middle, transverse at the margins.

Bracts and bracteoles linear green pectinately white ciliate and acceptance.

Bracts and bracteoles linear, green, pectinately white-ciliate and scabroushirsute; calyx-lobes narrowly lanceolate, the margins only scarious, the raphides concentrically transverse and curved:—

raphides concentrically transverse:-

Spikes linear; bracts and bracteoles usually shorter than the calyx-lobes, all with a green midrib and scarious margins:—

Bracts and bracteoles lanceolate nearly 1 in. long but much shorter than the calyx-lobes, more or less scabrous:—

Bracts and bracteoles usually very small and ovate, scarcely 05 in. long, and with the calyx-lobes generally glabrous; spikes very slender up to 2 in. long; leaves usually thin, ovate, obtuse or acute, up to 2.5 in. long, 1-25 in. broad, the raphides irregular. 20. diffusa. Bracts and bracteoles lanceolate, hirsute, a little shorter than the scalyx-lobes, all with cuspidate long-ciliate tips and narrow scarious margins; leaves

ovate or orbicular, obtuse, with strigose hairs above, villous beneath, up to nearly 2 in. long, 1 in. broad, the raphides irregular.......21. orbiculata.

1. Justicia montana, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 525. Hemichoriste montana, Nees: Wt. Ic. t. 1538.

W. Gháts, Mysore, Coorg, Wynaad, to the Anamalais and hills of Travancore, at low levels in evergreen forest.

An erect bush with thick stem, the corolla white with purple spots in the throat, the seed-testa corrugately wrinkled.

2. Justicia Betonica, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 525.

All Districts, except very dry ones, on waste lands and in hedges. An erect shrub, up to 4 ft. high, the corolla white, spotted with pink.

Var. villosa, C. B. Clarke. Stem and leaves beneath villous, bracts

large.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri.

3. Justicia Nilgherrensis, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 526. Adhatoda nilgherrensis, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1544.

Carnatic, Melpat, S. Arcot, at 2,500 ft. (Barber); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in grass lands on the downs above 6,000 ft.

A low herb branching from a stout rootstock, the corolla whitish, spotted with red.

4. Justicia trinervia, Vahl; F. B. I. iv. 526.

W. Coast, S. Canara and Malabar; Deccan, in Mysore.

A low procumbent herb, branching from a woody root-stock, the bracts and bracteoles often scarcely white, the corolla small.

5. Justicia salsoloides, T. And.; F. B. I. iv. 530. Carnatic, on very dry lands (Wight, G. Thomson).

A woody undershrub, the corolla densely pubescent without.

6. Justicia tranquebariensis, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 530.

Deccan and Carnatic, from Mysore southwards, on dry lands, up to 3,000 ft. in hilly country.

A woody undershrub with many stiff branches, the corolla slightly villous without, yellowish with purple spots.

7. Justicia glauca, Rottl.; F. B. I. iv. 529. Gendarussa tranque-bariensis, Wt. Ic. t. 462, not of Nees.

All Districts, on waste lands and in dry forests, up to 2,000 ft. A very variable herb, with pubescent branches, the corolla whitish with purple spots.

8. Justicia Gendarussa, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 532. Gendarussa vulgaris, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 468.

W. Gháts, valleys in the hills of Madura, cultivated and fre-

quently found run wild.

An erect undershrub, the corolla white or rose with purple spots. The plant is used in garden hedges, and the leaves are much used medicinally. Vern. *Tel.* Nalla vavili; *Tam.* Karu nochi.

9. Justicia wynaadensis, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 533. Adhatoda wynaadensis Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1545.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Coorg to Wynaad, E. Nilgiris

and S. Malabar Hills, up to 3,000 ft., in evergreen forests and on waste lands.

An erect undershrub, the corolla with pink upper and brownpurple lower lip, the spikes long and slender with flowers in distant pairs.

 Justicia Glabra, Koen.; F. B. I. iv. 535. Rhaphidospora glabra, Nees: Wt. Ic. t. 1554.

N. Circars, in Godavari; Deccan, in Kurnool and the Sandur Hills of Bellary, hills of Coimbatore and Salem; Carnatic, in Tinnevelly, in hedges and open forest.

An erect herb with slender divaricately branched inflorescence, the corolla pale yellow with purple spots.

11. Justicia Micrantha, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 536.

Deccan, in Bellary and Cuddapah to Chingleput.

An erect herb with trichotomous pale zigzag-branching stems and small rose-purple flowers, the small capsule pubescent.

12. Justicia procumbens, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 539.

W. Gháts, from the slopes of the Pulneys southwards, W. Coast to Travancore.

A diffuse slender herb with many branches often rooting at the nodes, the flowers pale purple, the capsule pubescent at tip.

13. Justicia serpyllifolia, Gamble n. comb. J. simplex var. serpyllifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 539.

W. Coast, S. Canara and Malabar.

A small prostrate or straggling diffuse herb often rooting at the nodes, with slender zigzag branches, the spikes close and cylindrical.

14. Justicia Notha, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 537. Rostellularia simplex, Wt. Ic. t. 1542.

"Station not known (Wt.)." Clarke thinks it may be Malayan, but it is not recorded by Miquel.

15. JUSTICIA SIMPLEX, D. Don; F. B. I. iv. 539.

Deccan, Carnatic and W. Gháts, usually in hilly country and even up to 7,000 ft., common.

A pale softly hairy herbaceous branching plant, the flowers pale pink or lilac, the capsules papery, villous at apex.

16. Justicia Latispica, Gamble n. comb. J. procumbens var. latispica, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 539. Rostellularia procumbens, Wt. Ic. t. 1539.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills above 5,000 ft., less common in Anamalais and Pulneys.

Almost an undershrub somewhat woody below, turning nearly black when dry, covered with scattered stiff strigose hairs, the flowers apparently pale lilac spotted white, the capsules papery, glabrous.

17. JUSTICIA QUINQUEANGULARIS, Koen.; F. B. I. iv. 536.

N. Circars, Biccavol in Godavari (Bourne).

A herbaceous undershrub with curving angular stems rooting at the nodes and giving erect branches, the flowers small, the capsules obovoid glabrous, the seeds with wavy subconcentric ridges.

 JUSTICIA PROSTRATA, Gamble n. comb.; J. diffusa, Willd.; var. prostrata, C. B. Clarke, F. B. I. iv. 538.

Circars and Carnatic, from Ganjam southwards to S. Travancore, usually in sandy places near the coast, but sometimes inland to Salem, Trichinopoly and Coimbatore. A small pale prostrate plant, the branches long and diffusely spreading from a stout rootstock sometimes almost woody, the flowers pale pink, the capsules small and minutely puberulous, the seeds minutely tuberculate. The leaves are small and usually orbicular or ovate, sometimes slightly lanceolate.

 Justicia Vahlii, Roth. J. diffusa var. Vahlii, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 538.

Circars and Deccan, westwards to Bellary, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills.

A tall straggling narrow-leaved plant from a stout rootstock, the branches with long internodes angular and scabrous, the flowers pale with a reddish lip, the capsule pubescent, the seeds papillose.

20. Justicia diffusa, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 538.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, also, but more scarce, W. Gháts, up to 7,000 ft. in places.

A slender but sometimes in old plants quite woody branching herb, with pale flower spikes and leaves, the glabrous capsules small and pointed.

Var. hedyotidifolia, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 538. Rostellularia hedyotidifolia, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1540. Leaves thicker and like other parts turning nearly black in drying; spikes broader and denser.

Deccan, on Horsleykonda, 4,500 ft. (Gamble); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, about 3,000—5,000 ft.

21. Justicia orbiculata, Wall. J. diffusa var. orbiculata, C. B. Clarke, F. B. I. iv. 538.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, probably above 5,000 ft.; Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Bourne).

Almost an undershrub, soft and compact, with spreading dichotomous branches, the capsules nearly or quite glabrous, the seeds with lines of papillae.

## 35. Adhatoda, Nees.

Shrubs. Leaves entire. Flowers subsessile in the axils of opposite bracts in dense axillary and terminal often thyrsiform spikes; bracts herbaceous, bracteoles similar but usually narrower. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes imbricate, the 2 lowest often subconnate. Corolla-tube short; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip galeate subentire, the lower spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 2, near the top of the corolla-tube; anthers 2-celled, the cells minutely apiculate at base. Disk cup-shaped. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma entire. Fruit a clavate capsule with a long solid base. Seeds 1 or 2, suborbicular, compressed, rugose.

Branches grey-pubescent; spikes stout, about 3 in long; bracts elliptic, up to 1 in. long, about 7-ribbed; leaves lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, minutely puberulous, up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves about 15 pairs, rather Branches glabrous; heads short, up to 1 in. diam.; bracts ovate, up to 5 in. long, obscurely 5-ribbed; leaves oblong-lanceolate, attenuate at both ends, minutely puberulous on the nerves, up to 6 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, main nerves about 

1. Adhatoda Vasica, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 540. All plains Districts, perhaps wild in the N. Circars, elsewhere cultivated as a hedge-plant and run wild near villages. A dense shrub with a foetid scent, the flowers white with the throat barred with red or yellow. The leaves are used in native medicine, and an infusion of them is used as an insecticide. Vern. Hind. Arusha; Ur. Basung; Tel. Addasaram; Tam.

Adatodai.

2. Adhatoda Beddomei, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 540. Hills of S. Travancore, at 3,000 ft. (Beddome). A very large shrub, with rather small flowers in short heads; turns black in drying.

### 36. Dianthera, Linn.

Diffuse herbs or undershrubs. Leaves petioled, ovate or oblong. Flowers in terminal and sometimes axillary spikes or panicles; bracts and bracteoles small. Calyx 5-partite, the lobes narrow. Corolla small or middle-sized, the tube short; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip suberect, emarginate, the lower 3-lobed, pendent. Stamens 2; anther-cells 2, ellipsoid, subopposite or superposed, muticous. Ovary 2-celled, 2 ovules in each cell; style minutely hairy below, nearly bifid at tip. Fruit a clavate capsule with subcylindric solid base. Seeds 4, compressed, scabrous verrucose or subhispid.

DIANTHERA WALLICHII, Benth. in Gen. Pl. ii. 1114. D. leptostachya, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 542. Leptostachya Wallichii, Nees; Wt.

Ic. t. 1543.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly.

An erect herb with slender divaricately branched panicles of small flowers, the leaves membranous, elliptic-oblong or -lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, up to 7 in. long, 2.5 in. broad.

# 37. Rhinacanthus, Nees.

Shrubs, sometimes subscandent. Leaves entire. Flowers solitary or in small cymes in dense or divaricate panicles; bracts and bracteoles small, linear-lanceolate, shorter than the calyx. Calyx 5-lobed, the lobes narrow. Corolla-tube long, very slender, scarcely enlarged above; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip linear-oblong, entire or shortly 2-lobed, twisted or recurved, the lower broad, 3-lobed. Stamens 2, adnate near the top of the corolla-tube; anthers 2-celled, the cells superposed, muticous. Disk cupular. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma minutely 2-fid. Fruit a clavate capsule, contracted below in a long solid stalk. Seeds 1 or 2, orbicular, compressed, rugose. RHINACANTHUS COMMUNIS, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 541; Wt. Ic. t. 464.

Almost all Districts, wild or cultivated, common on roadsides; also in forest glades especially in N. Circars, on the hills to 4,500 ft. as on Mahendragiri.

A shrubby plant reaching 5 ft. in height, with leaves sometimes reaching 8 in. long, 4 in. broad, the flowers white.

Var. montana, C. B. Clarke. Leaves ovate, very softly pubescent beneath and rounded at base.

Nilgiri Hills, near Coonoor (Wight).

#### 38. Peristrophe, Nees.

Erect herbs. Leaves entire, lineolate. Flowers in terminal or axillary clusters, which are often in spreading lax panicles; bracts 1-4 together, decussate, longer than the calyces or the similar bracteoles. Calyx 5-partite; lobes linear-lanceolate. Corolla-tube slender, often twisted; limb 2-lipped, the upper lip subentire, the lower shortly 3lobed. Stamens 2; filaments pubescent below; anthers 2-celled, cells linear or ovoid, one higher than the other, muticous. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style filiform; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit an ellipsoid stalked capsule, usually 4-seeded, the placentas not separating elastically. Seeds discoid, compressed, papillose.

A laxly paniculate spreading herb with angular hispid stems, the leaves chiefly near the base, ovate, acuminate, up to 2 in long, pubescent; cymes trichotomous; bracts 2, unequal, opposite, linear or linear-spathulate, up to 5 in long; corolla pink, villous without, up to 5 in long; anther-cells short; seeds glochidiate-An erect herb or undershrub with nearly terete stems, the leaves chiefly near the top, elliptic, long-acuminate, subglabrous, up to 7 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, the flower-clusters in axillary or terminal 3—5-branched cymes; bracts 2, conspicuous, elliptic, glabrous or slightly villous, nerved, up to 75 in. long; corolla pink, villous without, 2-2.5 in. long; anther-cells linear; seeds granular-papillose...2. montana.

1. Peristrophe bicalyculata, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 554.

All Districts, common in forest undergrowth, in hedges and on waste land, even as a weed in gardens.

A hispid herb 3—6 ft. high with unattractive very spreading

flower panicles and rather small leaves.

2. Peristrophe montana, Nees; F. B. I. iv. 556; Wt. Ic. t. 1553.

W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalais, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests at low levels up to 3,000 ft.

A handsome erect undershrub with large leaves and flowers, the bracts often also coloured.

Graptophyllum hortense, Nees, is a glabrous shrub with crimson flowers and leaves mottled with white patches. It is largely cultivated in gardens and has occasionally run wild.

# Family CXIV. VERBENACEAE.

Herbs, shrubs or trees. Leaves opposite or whorled, simple digitate or pinnate; stipules 0. Inflorescence cymose racemose or spicate, often paniculate; bracts usually small; flowers hermaphrodite, rarely polygamous, generally irregular, often brightly coloured, sometimes with coloured calyx or enlarged coloured involucre. Calyx inferior,

gamosepalous, 5—4- rarely more-lobed, persistent. Corolla gamopetalous; tube usually cylindric or dilated above, often curved; limb 2-lipped or subequally lobed, lobes 5—4, rarely more. Stamens usually 4 didynamous, rarely 2, rarely more, inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments free; anthers 2-celled. Ovary superior, sessile, 2—4-celled, entire or 4-lobed; ovules variously attached, 2, sometimes 1 in each cell; style terminal; stigma entire or bifid. Fruit drupaceous with bony pyrenes, or capsular, 1—4-celled; mesocarp usually fleshy; endocarp usually bony. Seeds erect or pendulous, separate in distinct cells; albumen usually 0, embryo straight, radicle inferior.

Inflorescence spicate, centripetal (the lowest flowers opening first):—
Fruit with 2 or 1 1-seeded pyrenes:—
Spikes capitate ovoid or cylindric, calyx small; stamens 4.
Calyx truncate or obscurely lobed; fruit drupaceous, succulent
Calyx 2—4-lobed; fruit dry, hard
Spikes long, slender; calyx long, tubular:—
Stamens 4 didynamous 3 Rouches
Stamens 2
Fruit with 2 2-seeded pyrenes
Fruit with 4 1-seeded pyrenes; calyx tubularVerbena.
Inflorescence cymose, centrifugal (the end flower opening first):-
Cymes paniculate, drupes fleshy:—
Leaves simple:—
Corolla regular, stamens equal:—
Flowers 4-merous; drupe with 4 pyrenes
Flowers 4—6-merous; drupe with 4-celled endocarp
Corolla 2-lipped; stamens 4 didynamous:—
Drupe with 1 pyrene, normally 4-celled:—
Flowers small
Flowers large9. Gmelina.
Drupe with 4 pyrenes, 1—3 often suppressed10. Clerodendron.
Leaves digitate; pyrene 1
Cymes capitate, bracts of the heads forming an involucre:—
Corolla 6-16- or more-merous; stamens long-exsert12. Symphorema.
Corolla 5-6-merous; stamens included or shortly exsert13. Sphenodesme.
Inflorescence capitate or shortly spicate, centripetal; calyx 5-partite, the lobes
concave, imbricate, fruit capsular
Avicenna.

## 1. Lantana, Linn.

Erect or subscandent, often rambling, often strong-smelling, pube-scent or scabrous shrubs; branches 4-angled, sometimes prickly. Leaves simple, opposite or ternate, crenate, often rugose. Flowers in pedunculate capitate ovoid or cylindric spikes; bracts conspicuous, persistent, bracteoles 0. Calyx small, membranous, truncate or obscurely toothed. Corolla-tube cylindric, slender; limb salver-shaped; lobes 4 or 5, spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, included in the corolla-tube and inserted at its middle; anthers oblong, the cells parallel. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 1 in each cell; style short; stigma oblique, subcapitate. Fruit a drupe with more or less fleshy mesocarp; endocarp hard, separating into 2 1-celled, 1-seeded pyrenes. Seeds exalbuminous; testa reticulate.

Erect shrubs, the stems not prickly:-

Leaves usually opposite, sometimes ternate:-

Lower bracts of the spike broadly ovate, usually abruptly acuminate, villous, 7-ribbed; spikes 5-75 in long in flower, elongating in fruit; corolla-tube

·3 in. long; leaves ovate, acute, rounded and then cuneate at base, crenate, rugose above, usually white-pubescent beneath, up to 3 in. long, 1·5 in. broad

1. Lantana indica, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 562; Wt. Ic. t. 1464.

Deccan, Carnatic and W. Gháts, in hilly country up to 4,000 ft., often planted in gardens.

An erect shrub reaching 3—8 ft. high, the flowers pink or purplish with a yellowish tube.

Lantana Wightiana, Wall. L. indica, Roxb., var. albiflora, Wt.;
 F. B. I. iv. 562.

Carnatic and E. slopes of W. Gháts, in or near the hills.

A woody shrub with very pale branches, small leaves and long slender peduncles, the flowers white.

3. Lantana crenulata, Otto & Dietr.; F. B. I. iv. 563.

Coast of the Carnatic, Pulicat (Wight), Madras (Barber), perhaps introduced only.

An erect shrub with yellow and orange flowers, the leaves with long slender petioles, the peduncles up to 3.5 in. long.

4. Lantana trifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 563.

Travancore (Heyne); Bangalore (Cleghorn), an introduced plant. An erect hispid shrub resembling *L. indica*, the rather large ternate leaves subsessile.

5. Lantana aculeata, Linn. L. Camara, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 562.

W. Deccan and lower hills of W. Gháts, up to perhaps 6,000 ft., especially common in Coorg and Wynaad, introduced from tropical America and run wild. The Lantana. A very aromatic plant with the scent of black currants, the corollas normally orange, but plants found in gardens have them of various hues, from white to dark red. The plant is most troublesome and measures for its destruction are often necessary though difficult (see Troup, 'Sylv. Ind. Trees,' ii, 780).

## 2. Lippia, Linn.

Shrubs or undershrubs, rarely herbs. Leaves opposite or ternate, rarely alternate, often aromatic, entire or toothed. Flowers small, in elongate or cylindric or capitate spikes; bracts small, imbricate,

bracteoles 0. Calyx small, membranous, 2—4-lobed, ultimately 2-valved. Corolla small, salver-shaped, tube cylindric, straight or curved; limb oblique, 2-lipped, the upper lip bifid or emarginate, the lower 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, included at the middle of the corolla-tube; anthers ovate with parallel cells. Ovary 2-celled, ovules in each cell solitary; style short; stigma oblique, subcapitate. Fruit small, with a dry epicarp enclosed in the calyx valves; mesocarp granular; endocarp hard and bony, separating into 2 1-seeded pyrenes. Seed exalbuminous.

1. Lippia nodiflora, Mich.; F. B. I. iv. 563; Wt. Ic. t. 1463.

All Districts, a weed of wet ground and grassy pastures, common.

A prostrate herb with small white flowers.

2. Lippia Geminata, H. B. & K.; F. B. I. iv. 563. Nilgiris, on Sigúr Ghát, at 3,000 ft. (Lawson, Gamble); Anamalais (Beddome). Wild Sage.

A strongly aromatic shrub of wet places, the flowers pink. Lippia citriodora, H.B. & K. is the Lemon-scented Verbena, commonly planted in gardens, especially in the hills, where it sometimes grows to a considerable size. It is a native of S. America, and has very fragrant lanceolate leaves and small lilac flowers in terminal panicles.

#### 3. Bouchea, Cham.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite or subopposite, petioled, toothed. Flowers sessile or shortly pedicelled in terminal spikes or racemes; bracts small; bracteoles minute or 0. Calyx narrowly tubular, prominently 5-ribbed and 5-toothed, at length splitting longitudinally to the base between the 2 longer teeth. Corolla-tube slender, cylindric below, gradually widening; limb spreading, oblique, 5-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, included in the upper part of the tube; anthers oblong, the cells parallel. Ovary 2-celled; cells 1—2-ovuled; style slender; stigma oblique, subbilobed. Fruit enclosed in the calyx, of 2 elongate 1-seeded pyrenes, each with an interior basal hollow. Seed cylindric; testa thin; cotyledons oblong.

BOUCHEA HYDERABADENSIS, Walp.; F. B. I. iv. 564; Wt. Ic. t. 1462. Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country from Cuddapah to Tinnevelly

A tall subshrubby plant with pink-purple flowers in long narrow spikes reaching 1 foot or more, ovate-lanceolate leaves deeply serrate in the upper three-fourths, cuneate and entire at the base, up to nearly 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, the hard pyrenes flattened on the inner face.

### 4. Stachytarpheta, Vahl.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves usually opposite, toothed. Flowers in terminal spikes in the axils of bracts often closing an excavation of the rhachis in which they lie; bracts usually lanceolate, bracteoles 0. Calyx narrowly cylindric, shortly 4—5-lobed, often slit at the back when in fruit. Corolla salver-shaped; tube slender, cylindric, usually curved; limb spreading, 5-lobed, the lobes rounded. Stamens 2 perfect, included, with 2 or no staminodes; filaments short; anthers with divaricate cells. Ovary 2-celled; ovule solitary in each cell, attached laterally near its base; style filiform; stigma capitate. Fruit cylindric, enclosed in the calyx-tube, separating into 2 hard 1-seeded usually plano-convex pyrenes. Seeds oblong; testa membranous; cotyledons fleshy.

 Stachytarpheta Indica, Vahl; F. B. I. iv. 564. S. urticæfolia, Dalz. & Gibs. Bot. Mag. t. 1848.

Hills of the Carnatic, Shevaroys (Perrottet, Bourne), introduced probably.

A tall herb with long slender spikes of blue flowers, the leaves

Var. jamaicensis, Trimen. S. jamaicensis, Vahl; Bot. Mag. t. 1860. All plains Districts, on roadsides, and in wet places, common and probably only naturalized.

A tall herb with very long slender spikes, the blue flowers in excavations of the rhachis, the leaves coarsely crenate-serrate.

2. STACHYTARPHETA MUTABILIS, Vahl.

Hills of the Deccan, Carnatic and W. Gháts, in places, introduced to gardens from tropical America and run wild.

A tall herb, shrubby, with very long stout spikes and pink flowers (scarlet and rose, *Haines*).

## 5. Priva, Adans.

Erect herbs. Leaves opposite, thin, toothed. Flowers solitary, in simple terminal or axillary spikes or racemes; bracts small, narrow; bracteoles 0. Calyx tubular, becoming inflated in fruit, 5-ribbed, the ribs ending in short teeth. Corolla-tube cylindric, straight or curved; limb 5-lobed, spreading, slightly 2-lipped; base of tube with spiral lines. Stamens 4 didynamous, included; anther-cells parallel or slightly divergent; staminode minute or 0. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style long, filiform; stigma oblique, subclavate. Fruit enclosed in the loose dilated calyx-tube, separating when ripe into 2 2-seeded pyrenes, usually hollowed out on the inner side. Seed smooth; testa thin.

PRIVA LEPTOSTACHYA, Juss.; F. B. I. iv. 565. Streptium asperum, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 146.

Deccan and Carnatic, from the Kistna southwards and up to 3,000 ft., W. to E. slopes of the Gháts, on old walls, rocks, etc. An erect herb with quadrangular stem, ovate obtuse long-petioled soft leaves truncate or subcordate at base, 3 in. long, and white flowers in very long racemes covered with hooked hairs, the pyrenes echinate.

### 6. Callicarpa, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, the young branches more or less densely stellately hairy. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate, entire or toothed. Flowers small, in axillary sessile or pedunculate many-flowered cymes; bracts linear, inconspicuous. Calyx small, campanulate, truncate or minutely 4-lobed, not enlarged in fruit. Corolla small, campanulate, purple or red; lobes 4; spreading. Stamens 4 equal, exserted; anthers oblong, glandular on the back, the cells parallel. Ovary imperfectly 2-celled, 2 ovules in each cell; style linear; stigma dilated, obscurely bifid. Fruit a small globose drupe, supported by the persistent calyx, containing 4 pyrenes with bony endocarp, each 1-seeded. Seed shortly oblong; albumen 0.

1. CALLICARPA ARBOREA, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 567.

N. Circars, forests of the Eastern Gháts, Ganjam to Godavari,

in rather open spots.

A moderate-sized tree with lilac purple flowers and small black drupes. Bark brownish, rough; wood light brownish-white, even-grained. Vern. *Ur.* Boropatri.

2. Callicarpa lanata, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 567. C. Wallichiana Walp.;

Wt. Ic. t. 1480.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 2,000-4,000 ft., especially at the

edges of clearings.

A small tree or large shrub reaching 25 ft. high, the flowers purple, the small drupes black. Bark brown, rough; wood pale brown, smooth, moderately hard, used for carving and the legs of cots. Vern. Tam. Vettilai patta; Mal. Thin perivelam.

# 7. Tectona, Linn. f.

Trees, stellately tomentose. Leaves large, opposite or whorled, entire, petioled. Flowers numerous, in dichotomous cymes in large terminal panicles; bracts small, narrow. Calyx campanulate, shortly 5—6-lobed, enlarged and bladder-like in fruit. Corolla small, white; tube short; limb with 5—6 short subequal spreading imbricate lobes. Stamens 5—6, inserted near the base of the corolla, equal, exserted; anthers ovate or oblong with distinct parallel cells. Ovary fleshy,

4-celled, each cell 1-ovuled; style linear; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a drupe enclosed in the enlarged calyx; exocarp spongy or nearly dry; endocarp bony thick, 4-celled. Seeds erect, oblong; testa membranous; albumen 0; cotyledons fleshy and oily; radicle short.

TECTONA GRANDIS, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 570; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 6;

Bedd. Fl. t. 250; Brand. For. Fl. t. 44.

N. Circars, forests on both sides of the Godavari; Deccan and Carnatic in Hill forests in all forest Districts, but in scattered localities; W. Gháts, in all Districts, but most especially in the Wynaad, the Anamalais and in dry forests at low levels in Cochin and Travancore. It has been much planted, the most notable plantation being that of Nilambur in Malabar. Teak.

A very large deciduous tree with quadrangular stems, covered, like the inflorescence and under-surface of the leaves, with tawny stellate tomentum. The leaves are very large as are the flower panicles. Bark light brown or grey; wood moderately hard, golden yellow, darkening on exposure, very valuable and in great demand as the principal timber of India, both for local use and for export. Vern. Hind. Sagun; Ur. Singuru; Tel. Teku; Tam. and Mal. Thekku; Kan. Tadi.

### 8. Premna, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, sometimes climbing, rarely herbaceous undershrubs. Leaves opposite or sometimes whorled, entire or toothed. Flowers in corymbose panicled or thyrsoid terminal cymes; bracts small, narrow, bracteoles 0. Calyx small, campanulate, truncate 2-lipped or shortly 2—5-lobed, somewhat enlarged in fruit. Corolla small; tube short, often villous within; limb 2-lipped, 5- or subsequently 4-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, inserted below the throat of the corolla-tube, rarely exserted; anthers ovate or rounded, the cells parallel or divergent. Ovary 2- or 4-celled, 4-ovuled; style linear; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a small drupe, seated on the calyx, globose or obovoid, mesocarp thin, fleshy, endocarp of 1 pyrene, rugose or verrucose, often with a central cavity. Seeds oblong, testa thin, albumen 0, cotyledons flat.

Climbing shrubs:—

Erect trees or shrubs:-

Cymes in panicles:—
Calyx deeply 2-lipped, enlarged and prominent in fruit, the upper lip sometimes minutely 3-lobed; panicles small, under 1 in. broad, dense; leaves

ovate, acuminate, truncate or subcordate at base, nearly glabrous, entire, 4-nerved, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, petiole ·5—1 in. long; drupe obovoid 4. corymbosa.

Calyx shortly 5-lobed, somewhat enlarged and widened in fruit; panicles pyramidal, up to 4 in. broad; leaves ovate, acuminate, obtuse or cordate at base, densely (like the branches and inflorescence) tawny-yellow stellately tomentose, up to 8 in. long, 5 in. broad, petiole 1—2 in. long; drupe subglobose 5. tomentosa.

Cymes in corymbs:—
Corymbs terminal to main branches only, broad; calyx obscurely 2-lipped, one lip 2-lobed, the other 3-lobed or subentire, in fruit saucer-shaped:—

lower 3-lobed; leaves ovate, acuminate, obtuse at base, entire of sertate in the upper half, glabrous or slightly pubescent, 4—5-nerved, up to 3.5 in. long, 2 in. broad, petiole slender, 5—1 in. long, grooved; drupe obovoid, verrucose-tubercular 11. Wightiana.

Small herbaceous plant from a woody rootstock, the flowers in small corymbs;

1. PREMNA CORIACEA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 573.

W. Gháts, from Mysore and Canara to Cochin and Travancore, at low levels, up to 3,000 ft.

A large climber with pale brown bark with corky lenticels, the corymbs purplish, the flowers white. The petioles have a cupshaped scar at their base.

2. Premna villosa, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 573.

Deccan, Sandúr Hills of Bellary, at 2,000 ft. (Brougham, Gamble); W. Gháts, Coorg and Wynaad, at 3,000 ft. (G. Thomson, Beddome).

A large climber with pale brown smooth bark, white flowers and hairy leaves with long petioles.

3. Premna paucinervis, Gamble, n. comb. P. purpurascens, Thw., var. paucinervis, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 574.

W. Gháts, Anamalais at 3,000 ft. (Beddome). A gigantic climber and epiphyte (Beddome), the flowers supposed to be red. A very little known species.



4. Premna corymbosa, Rottl. & Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 573. P. cordi-

folia, Wt. Ic. t. 1483, not of Roxb.

Deccan, forests about Kodúr in Cuddapah; Carnatic, Nellore, Chingleput and Madras to the Javadis, in hedges and among bushes.

A shrub from 3 to 6 ft. high with slender branches and yellowish flowers. Vern. Tel. Pomanti, Pedda narva.

5. Premna tomentosa, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 576; Wt. Ic. t. 1468; Bedd. Fl. t. 251.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic down to S. Travancore in

deciduous forest, up to about 4,000 ft., common.

A moderate-sized deciduous tree with greenish-yellow flowers. Bark light greyish-brown; wood light brown smooth and closegrained, of good quality but little used. Vern. Tel. Nagal, Narvu; Tam. Kolakatta; Kan, Ije.

6. Premna glaberrima, Wt. Ic. t. 1484; F. B. I. iv. 577 (by error integerrima).

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly (Wight).

A shrub, 6-8 ft. high, quite glabrous and with characteristic distantly nerved leaves, the branchlets pale brown.

7. Premna flavescens, Ham.; F. B. I. iv. 578.

N. Circars, Rampa Hills of Godavari (V. Narayanswami).

A large tree with large soft leaves and large spreading corymbs of whitish flowers.

8. Premna serratifolia, Linn. P. integrifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 574; Wt. Ic. t. 1469.

Plains of S. Carnatic, near the coast.

A smal tree or shrub with the trunk and older branches with opposite spines, the greenish-yellow flowers unpleasantly scented. Bark thin, pale; wood light brown, scented. Vern. Tam. Pay minnay.

9. Premna latifolia, Roxb.; F. B. I. iv. 577; Wt. Ic. t. 869.

N. Circars and Carnatic to Tinnevelly, near the coast, in dry

A small tree reaching 25 ft. in height, the leaves usually drying blue or black, the flowers greenish-white. Vern. Tel. Pedda

Var. mollissima, C. B. Clarke. Leaves softly pubescent beneath usually smaller as are the corymbs. Deccan, in deciduous forest.

Var. viburnoides, C. B. Clarke. Leaves ovate, rhomboid at base, glabrate, drying green.

Carnatic, Madras and S. Arcot to Tinnevelly; W. Coast at Cochin.

10. PREMNA PROCUMBENS, Moon; F. B. I. iv. 580.

Tinnevelly, at Mundanthorai, 675 ft. (Fischer).

A small undershrub with yellowish terete branches and flowers in small usually lateral corymbs.

11. PREMNA WIGHTIANA, Schauer, F. B. I. iv. 578. P. thyrsoidea, Wt. Ic. t. 1485; F. B. I. iv. 579.

W. Gháts, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at low levels.

A small tree or large shrub with yellowish-brown branches and white flowers very long-hairy in the throat. Vern. Tam. Pinja.

12. PREMNA HERBACEA, Ŕoxb.; F. B. I. iv. 581.

N. Circars, forests of Ganjam (Barber), hills of Vizagapatam at 2,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington); W. Gháts, Mudumalai in S. E. Wynaad (Beddome), usually on clay in open ground, especially where fires have been.

A small plant, a few inches high only, with the leaves pressed

close to the ground, the flowers small and white.

#### 9. Gmelina, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, unarmed or armed with axillary divaricate spines (abortive branchlets). Leaves opposite, entire toothed or lobed. Flowers large, yellow or brownish-yellow, often tomentose, in dense or lax sessile or pedunculate racemes along the branches of a terminal panicle; bracts usually small, sometimes large and leafy. Calyx campanulate, shortly 4—5-lobed or subentire, persistent. Corolla obliquely campanulate or funnel-shaped; limb oblique spreading 4—5-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, inserted below the throat, included; anthers pendulous, with oblong subseparate cells. Ovary 4-celled, the cells 1-ovuled; style slender; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a succulent drupe, the endocarp bony, 2—4-celled, usually with a conical hollow in the middle open on one side. Seeds oblong; testa thin; albumen 0; cotyledons fleshy.

1. GMELINA ARBOREA, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 246; F. B. I. iv. 581; Wt. Ic. t. 1470; Bedd. Fl. t. 253.

All Districts, in deciduous forests and up to 5,000 ft. in the hills though sporadic and not abundant; often planted in avenues and gardens.

A large or moderate-sized deciduous tree with handsome panicles of brownish-yellow flowers and a large yellow fleshy drupe. Bark smooth, white or whitish-grey; wood greyish-white, glossy, smooth and even grained, useful for planking, furniture and many other purposes and not liable to warp or contract. Vern. Hind. Gumhar; Ur. Gambari; Tel. Gumar tek; Tam. Gumadi, Umi; Kan. Shivani; Mal. Kumbil.

2. GMELINA ASIATICA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 582; Wt. Ill. t. 174. G. parvifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 162.

N. Circars, E. Deccan and Carnatic in scrub forest, sometimes planted.

A large straggling shrub, sometimes climbing, spinescent. On poor land, it is often with very small leaves. Bark brownish-

white, thin; wood hard, grey, used for fuel and fencing. Vern. Tel. Gumadi; Tam. Kumil.

G. Hystrix, Schult., is a thorny shrub, frequently met with in gardens, a native of Tenasserim Siam and Malaya. It has large yellow flowers and conspicuous large coloured bracts.

### 10. Clerodendron, Linn.

Trees and shrubs, sometimes straggling or climbing. Leaves opposite, rarely verticillate, simple, entire or toothed or lobed. Flowers small or large, in axillary cymes or terminal panicles, often leafy below; bracts conspicuous or small; bracteoles 0 or very small. Calyx campanulate, rarely tubular, truncate 5-lobed or almost 5-partite, persistent often accrescent, often coloured in fruit. Corolla salver-shaped or funnel-shaped; tube usually long and slender, limb more or less oblique with 5 spreading lobes. Stamens 4, didynamous, long-exserted; filaments filiform, involute in bud; anthers ovate or oblong, the cells parallel. Ovary imperfectly 4-celled, 1-ovuled; style filiform; stigma shortly bifid. Fruit a globose drupe, succulent or rarely dry, 4-grooved, separating into 4 pyrenes of which 1—3 sometimes suppressed; endocarp bony or crustaceous. Seeds oblong or pyriform, albumen 0; cotyledons fleshy.

Corolla irregularly salver-shaped, 1.5 in. long or less:-

Panicles axillary, occasionally also terminal; flowers white:-

Calyx minutely toothed, in fruit enlarged, subtruncate, at the base of the spongy drupe:—

1. CLERODENDRON INERME, Gaertn.; F. B. I. iv. 589.

Sea-coasts on both sides, in tidal forests, often planted in

gardens, and so perhaps run wild inland.

A straggling shrub, with corolla-tube usually 1—1.5 in. long and a dry brown drupe. Vern. *Hind*. Batraj; *Tel*. Pisung; *Tam*. Pinchil, Sangam.

2. CLERODENDRON PHLOMIDIS, Linn. f. C. phlomoides, Willd.; F. B.

I. iv. 590; Wt. Ic. t. 1473.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, usually in hedges and near

villages.

A large often rambling shrub with hoary pubescence on the branchlets, the flowers sometimes pink, the corolla-tube '75—1 in. long, the drupe obovoid nearly dry. Bark of the branches nearly white with brown lenticels. Frequently used in medicine. Vern. *Hind*. Urni; *Tel*. Telaki; *Tam*. Taludala.

CLERODENDRON SERRATUM, Spreng.; F. B. I. iv. 592; Wt. Ic. t. 1472.
 All Forest Districts, up to 5,000 ft. in the hills, chiefly in rather

damp places.

A shrub, usually herbaceous but occasionally woody, with 4-angled stems, pretty blue flowers in a long cylindrical thyrsus and a 4-lobed purple drupe, the corolla-tube short. Often used in medicine. Vern. *Hind*. Barangi; *Tam*. Chiru dekku.

4. CLERODENDRON INFORTUNATUM, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 594; Wt. Ic.

t. 1471.

All Districts, especially the moister ones and up to 6,000 ft. in the hills; common in forest undergrowth, in mango and other

topes and near villages.

A large tawny-villous shrub, occasionally a small tree up to 30 ft. high (Bourdillon) with 4-angled branches and large terminal panicles of pedunculate cymes. In the Southern Districts the leaves are cordate tomentose and entire, proceeding northwards they become less cordate, less tomentose and gradually serrate. It reproduces well by suckers. It is frequently used in medicine. The drupe is black, in an enlarged pink calyx. Vern. Hind. Bhánt; Ur. Bania; Tel. Bockada; Tam. Perugilai; Mal. Paragu, Vatta perivelam.

5. CLERODENDRON SIPHONANTHUS, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 595; Wt. Ill.

t. 173.

Deccan and Carnatic, in grass lands and near streams; W. Coast Districts.

A tall shrub with erect hollow stems up to 6 ft. high or more, conspicuous for its very long-tubed flowers and blue drupes in

a persistent red enlarged calyx. Vern. Hind. Barangi.

C. neriifolium, Wall., is a Malay coast shrub, occasionally found in cultivation and run wild. C. fragrans, R. Br., is a Chinese shrub with sweet-scented double flowers and bad-smelling leaves, often met with in gardens and run wild in topes and on roadsides. Some other species are also to be found in gardens, the most conspicuous of which is the climbing C. Thomsonae, Balf., an African plant with a white calyx and crimson corolla.

### 11. Vitex, Linn.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves opposite, digitately 3—7-foliolate, sometimes I-foliolate; leaflets usually entire sometimes dentate. Flowers in sessile or pedunculate cymes forming terminal and axillary or wholly axillary panicles or corymbs; bracts small, often caducous. Calyx campanulate or tubular-funnel-shaped, truncate or shortly 5-lobed. Corolla small, 2-lipped; tube usually short; upper lip of 2, lower of 3 lobes,

the midlobe much the longest. Stamens 4, didynamous, usually exserted; anther-cells at first parallel and pendulous afterwards divaricate, always attached at the tip only. Ovary 2-4-celled, 4-ovuled; style filiform; stigma bifid. Fruit a globose ovoid or obovoid drupe supported by the somewhat enlarged calyx; mesocarp fleshy; endocarp a bony pyrene, normally 4-celled and 4-seeded but often with some cells suppressed, the centre and base sometimes hallowed. Seeds ovovate or oblong; testa rather thick; albumen 0; cotyledons fleshy.

Inflorescence terminal, with occasional additional branches in upper leaf-axils:— Shrubs or small trees; leaves membranous, white- or grey-pubescent beneath, entire or sometimes toothed:-

Leaves 3-5-foliolate, the leaflets lanceolate, all with petiolules, the middle one

ones lanceolate the middle one lanceolate or oblanceolate, acuminate, all nearly glabrous above, thinly pubescent beneath, up to 6 in. long; petiole angular or winged with an auricled base; panicles with racemose branches of small grey-pubescent cymes, bracts small and caducous; corolla very small, scarcely abruptly acuminate, rounded at base, broad, glabrate above, fulvous pubescent beneath, up to 9 in. long; petiole not winged; panicles pyramidal, fulvous, with short racemose branches, bracts foliaceous, conspicuous and persistent; corolla 

Inflorescence axillary:-Flowers in slender lax panicles of dichasia, often 8 in. long; leaves submembranous, 3-foliolate, the leaflets petioluled, elliptic or lanceolate, acuminate, nearly 

1. VITEX TRIFOLIA, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 583.

Coast Districts, especially the West in S. Canara and Malabar. A shrub, rarely more, sometimes quite small, the flowers pale purple, the leaves often with only I leaflet which may then be ovate or orbicular, up to 2 in. long, 1.5 in. broad. Vern. Tam. Nir nocchi: Tel. Vavili.

2. VITEX NEGUNDO, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 583; Wt. Ic. t. 519.

All Districts, in the dry region, up to 5,000 ft. in the hills, on waste lands round villages, on roadsides and the banks of streams, common.

A large shrub, rarely a small tree, with bluish-purple flowers and narrow long-acuminate leaflets. Bark thin, grey; wood greyish-white, hard. The plant is used in medicine. Vern. Hind. Nisinda, Shambalu; Ur. Beyguna; Tel. Vavili; Tam., Mal. Nocchi.

3. VITEX ALTISSIMA, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 584; Wt. Ic. t. 1466; Bedd. Fl. t. 252. V. alata, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 584.

All Forest Districts, in deciduous and dry forests of the Deccan and Carnatic, also on W. coast, sometimes but scarce in evergreen forests, up to 4,000 ft. in hilly country. A large and lofty tree with white flowers tinged with blue or violet. Bark yellowish-grey; wood grey to yellowish-brown, hard and close-grained, valuable for building, furniture, carts, etc. The winged petioles are most conspicuous in young plants and coppice shoots. Vern. Tel. Nemili adaga; Tam. Maila; Kan. Myrole; Mal. Mayilai.

4. VITEX PUBESCENS, Vahl; F. B. I. iv. 585. V. arborea, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1465.

N. Circars, in deciduous forest, common; Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, less so, up to 3,000 ft. in hilly country, often

on the banks of streams.

A large tree with 4-angled branchlets and blue or purple flowers. Bark greyish; wood reddish- or olive-brown, very hard, close-grained, durable and useful for building and other purposes. Vern. *Ur.* Dhalasingha; *Tel.* Nowli eragu; *Tam.* Myladi; *Mal.* Atta mayila.

5. VITEX PEDUNCULARIS, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 587.

N. Circars in deciduous forest, in the hills up to 3,000 ft., usually near streams, fairly common in Ganjam with Sál. A small or moderate-sized tree, the flowers white with a yellow palate. Bark thick; wood reddish-grey, hard and close-grained.

6. VITEX LEUCOXYLON, Linn. f.; F. B. I. iv. 587. Wallrothia leu-

coxylon, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1467.

All Forest Districts at low levels, on the banks of streams. A deciduous tree with spreading head and white rather large flowers with purple hairs on the long palate, the drupe large and dark purple. Bark grey, smooth; wood light greyish-brown, moderately hard and useful for furniture and carts. Vern. Tel. Luki; Tam. Nir nocchi; Kan. Sengeni; Mal. Atta nocchi.

# 12. Symphorema, Roxb.

Rambling or climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite, entire or toothed. Flowers in pedunculate, capitate, usually 7-flowered cymes, with an involucre of 6 oblong or obovate foliaceous bracts accrescent in fruit. Calyx obovoid, 4—8-lobed, somewhat accrescent in fruit. Corolla with cylindric tube, the limb with 6—16 or more subequal narrowly oblong lobes. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, exserted; anthers ovate with parallel cells. Ovary 2- or imperfectly 4-celled, 4-ovuled, the ovules pendulous. Fruit nearly dry, included in the calyx, 1-seeded. Seed erect; cotyledons fleshy, concave, enclosing a cavity.

 SYMPHOREMA INVOLUCRATUM, ROXD. Cor. Pl. t. 186; F. B. I. iv. 599; Wt. Ic. t. 362.

N. Circars, Deccan and E. slopes of W. Gháts. A deciduous climbing shrub with white flowers.

2. Symphorema polyandrum, Wt. Ic. t. 363; F. B. I. iv. 599.

Deccan, Nallamalai Hills of Cuddapah and Kurnool (Beddome, Gamble); Kambakam Hill in Chingleput (Hb. Madr.).

A climbing shrub with densely fulvous-tomentose branches and young leaves, the flowers white.

#### 13. Sphenodesme, Jack.

Climbing shrubs. Leaves opposite, entire, shortly petioled. Flowers in capitate 3- or about 7-flowered cymes in an involucre of 6 foliaceous bracts, the cymes in pairs on the branches of large terminal or axillary thyrsoid panicles, leaves at the panicle nodes small and bract-like. Calyx ovoid or campanulate, lobes 4—5 short. Corolla funnel or slaver-shaped, lobes 4—6, oblong or lanceolate. Stamens as many as the corolla-lobes, inserted on the corolla-tube, included or exserted; anthers small, ovate or reniform, the cells parallel or divergent. Ovary 2-celled, the cells 2-ovuled, the ovules pendulous from an axile placenta; style filiform; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a globose or obovoid drupe, included in the calyx, 1-seeded. Seed globose, included in the calyx; cotyledons fleshy.

SPHENODESME PANICULATA, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 600.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Cochin and Travancore; Coorg

(Rottler); Shevaroy Hill (Perrottet).

A large climber, the branches and inflorescence covered with a golden-brown tomentum, the leaves ovate or elliptic, acute, up to about 5 in. long, 3 in. broad, the main nerves 4—5 pairs. Bracts spathulate, obtuse or emarginate in fruit.

## 14. Avicennia, Linn.

Shrubs or small trees with long creeping roots which give out at intervals narrow conical leafless suckers (pneumatophores). Leaves opposite, coriaceous, entire. Flowers small, yellow, sessile in capitate peduncled heads of close cymes, sometimes forming terminal trichotomous panicles; bracts small. Calyx short, 5-partite; lobes ovate, concave, imbricate. Corolla-tube short, cylindric; lobes 4, subequal, or the posterior slightly the larger. Stamens 4, adnate to the corolla-throat; filaments short; anther-cells ellipsoid, parallel. Ovary imperfectly 4-celled, the central axis 4-winged; ovules 4, pendulous between the axial wings; style tapering; stigma bifid. Fruit a compressed capsule, dehiscing by 2 leathery valves. Seed solitary, erect; albumen 0; cotyledons large, longitudinally plicate; radicle villous; seed often germinating on the plant.

1. AVICENNIA OFFICINALIS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 604. A tomentosa, Jacq.;

Wt. Ic. t. 1481.

W. Coast, in S. Canara, Malabar, Cochin and Travancore, along the coast, in creeks and tidal marshes, E. Coast, in the Godavari

Delta (Homfray, Foulkes); White Mangrove.

A small tree. Bark greyish-brown, thin; wood brown or grey, hard, of peculiar structure and used only for fuel when other and better kinds are not available. Vern. Tel. Mada; Tam. Upattha; Mal. Orei.

2. AVICENNIA MARINA, Vierh. in Denkschr. Akad. Wien, lxxi, 435.

Sceura marina, Forsk. Fl. Æg.-Ar. Cent. i. 37.

E. Coast, from the Kistna southwards, along the coast in tidal waters and salt swamps.

A large shrub, the wood of similar peculiar structure and used

for fuel. Vern. Tel. Mada; Tam. Venkandan.

3. AVICENNIA ALBA, Bl.; Wt. Ic. t. 1482. A. officinalis, var. alba, C. B. Clarke; F. B. I. iv. 604.

E. Coast, delta of the Kistna river (A. W. Lushington, Foulkes). Tummalapenta in Nellore (Fischer).

A shrub, apparently scarce. Vern. Tel. Gundu Mada.

Verbena venosa, Gill and Hook., and V. bonariensis, Linn., are S. American plants with purple flowers, cultivated sometimes in gardens and sometimes found run wild, especially in Nilgiris. The garden Verbenas of various colours are believed to be hybrids of the S. American V. chamædrifolia, Jun.

Duranta Plumieri, Jacq., is a pretty blue-flowered shrub of the

W. Indies commonly found in gardens in the plains.

Petrea volubilis, Linn., is a beautiful climbing shrub of tropical America with pendulous racemes of violet flowers in a large purplish persistent calyx, commonly grown in gardens.

Congea tomentosa, Roxb., var. azurea, is another beautiful climbing shrub of Burma and Siam, conspicuous by its large pink or lilac

bracts.

Holmskioldia sanguinea, Retz, is a straggling shrub of N. India with a large scarlet calyx and corolla often found in Madras Gardens.

# Family CXV. LABIATAE.

Herbs or undershrubs rarely shrubs, usually with aromatic oilglands; branches opposite or verticillate, usually 4-angled. Leaves opposite or whorled, simple or rarely pinnatisect; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, more or less zygomorphic, solitary or in pairs or fascicled and axillary, or in centrifugal cymes which by union in pairs form false whorls; bracts and bracteoles usually small. Calyx inferior, persistent, more or less tubular, 4—5-lobed, the lobes often forming 2 lips. Corolla hypogynous, tubular at base, the limb 4—5-lobed or 2-lipped, the lobes imbricate in bud. Stamens inserted in the corollatube, 4 didynamous or only 2 perfect; anther-cells connate separate or confluent, dehiscing longitudinally. Disk prominent. Ovary deeply 4-lobed; ovules solitary anatropous in each lobe; style simple, from the centre of the ovary between the lobes, slender, 2-fid, sometimes unequally. Fruit of 4 dry (rarely fleshy) 1-seeded nutlets, sometimes 1 or more suppressed, scarred at the base. Seed small, erect; albumen scanty or 0; radicle inferior.

Ovary 4-partite; nutlets with small scar, basilar or slightly oblique:— Nutlets dry:—

Stamens 4, all perfect and declinate; anther-cells at length confluent:-

Attachment of nutlets basilar:-

Lower lip of corolla declinate, flat or slightly concave, generally narrower, but hardly longer than the 3—4-lobed upper lip:—

Calyx deflexed in fruit; upper lobe widest, large, ovate, recurved, the margins decurrent on the tube:—

2. Orthosiphon. Calyx suberect or declinate in fruit; upper lobe widest, the margins not decurrent on the tube:—

Whorls crowded in globose or ovoid heads; calyx sub-erect

Whorls recemose or spicate: calvy usually declinate:

Whorls racemose or spicate; calyx usually declinate:—
Racemes simple:—

Bracts conspicuous; lower lip of calyx not inflexed

Upper lip of corolla very short, obtusely 3—4-toothed, lower lip elongate,

boat-shaped:—

Calyx equally 5-toothed or somewhat 2-lipped, the upper 3-, the lower 2-toothed, or with upper lip large rounded reflexed, the others narrow, subulate:—

Stamens erect or spreading or ascending:-

Stamens 4 perfect:-

Corolla-lobes 4; stamens equal or subequal:—

Calvx 5-toothed; stamens exserted:-

14. Colebrookea,

Corolla lobes 5, 2-lipped; stamens didynamous:-Anterior pair of stamens the longer:-Calyx 13-nerved; anthers 2-celled, the cells short:-Calyx equally 5-toothed......15. Micromeria. Calyx 5-10-nerved; anthers 2-celled, the cells linear:-Upper lip of corolla short, nearly flat; stamens exserted, the cells of the upper pair dimidiate, of the lower transverse.....17. Anisomeles. Upper lip of corolla hooded:pper lip of corolla not woolly:-Calyx 2-lipped with a broad plate or pouch at the back, the Calyx tubular, upper lip 3-, lower 2-toothed.....19. Brunella. Upper lip of corolla densely woolly:-Calyx 5-toothed, the teeth spinescent; stamens more or less exserted; anther-cells parallel......20. Leonurus. Calyx 6-10-toothed; stamens included; anther-cells diver-Lower lip of corolla longer than the hood...........21. Leucas. Lower lip of corolla shorter than the hood......22. Leonotis. Posterior pair of stamens the longer; calyx tubular, 15-ribbed, 5-toothed; stamens not exserted......Nepeta. Stamens 2, anterior pair only perfect; anther-cells linear, separated by an elongated connective or one cell abortive; calyx 2-lipped:-Corolla 4-lobed; anthers 2-celled, the cells pendulous from a long connective...... Meriandra. Corolla 2-lipped, the upper lip entire or emarginate, concave, the lower spreading, 3-fid; anther-cells very unequal or solitary, on a long trans-Nutlets succulent; corolla 2-lipped, the upper lip hooded; anther-cells parallel, the anterior pair of stamens the longer......24. Gomphostemma. Ovary 4-lobed; nutlets with a large oblique or lateral scar on the inner side; stamens 4 perfect, erect, exserted from the fissure of the upper lip:-Corolla apparently 1-lipped, the 2 small upper lobes and the lateral pair springing from the contracted base of the large lower lobe.......25. Teucrium. Corolla distinctly 2-lipped, the upper lip short, 2-lobed, notched, the lateral pair of lobes very small, springing from the sides of the large lower 

## 1. Ocimum, Linn.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs, strongly aromatic from oil-glands. Leaves opposite or whorled, usually toothed, petioled; floral leaves small, bract-like, usually caducous. Flowers small, in whorls of 6—10 on the axis of elongate spikes or racemes which are sometimes panicled; pedicels with recurved tips; bracts small, caducous. Calyx ovoid or campanulate, deflexed in fruit and then usually enlarged and hardened, 2-lipped; upper lip broad, flat, decurrent, lower lip with 4 mucronate teeth, the 2 middle ones usually the longest. Corolla 2-lipped; tube short, not annulate within; upper lip subequally 4-lobed, lower lip hardly longer than the upper, declinate, entire. Stamens 4 didynamous, declinate, exserted; filaments free or the lower connate below, the upper often with a tooth or hairy below; anthers 1-celled, later on flattened out. Disk entire or 3—4-lobed. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, bifid at apex. Fruit of 4 dry, smooth or subrugose, nutlets, often mucilaginous when wetted.

Shrubs; leaves membranous, ovate, acute, cuneate and decurrent at base, coarsely crenate-serrate, nearly glabrous except on the nerves, long-petioled, up to 4 in. long,

2 in. broad; racemes often 6 in. long, the whorls close and about ·3 in. apart; upper calyx-lip longer than the lower, rounded and curved upwards in fruit, teeth of the 

Herbs or slightly woody undershrubs:-

Racemes elongate, the whorls close; two lower teeth of the calvx longest:-Fruiting calyx large, hairy or glabrous, the upper lip often 25 in. in diam. and saucer-shaped; racemes long and closely whorled, or shorter and much panicled, the floral leaves conspicuous till they fall; leaves variable, ovate or lanceolate, acute, cuneate at base, entire or dentate, usually glabrous, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, but usually smaller; nutlets large, pitted, very muci-to nearly erect, middle teeth of lower lip long and curved:-

Fruiting calyx villous within, the pedicel shorter and erect except at tip; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, entire or slightly serrate, long-petioled, pubescent, up to 1.5 in. long, .5 in. broad; nutlets small, pitted, mucilaginous when Fruiting calyx glabrous within, the pedicel as long or longer, spreading; leaves elliptic oblong, obtuse or acute, entire serrate or dentate, pubescent, petioled, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad; nutlets small, nearly smooth, not upper lip obovate, mucronate, the lower as long, the two lower teeth long, the side ones very short, bimucronate, all nearly glabrous within and without; leaves ovate, obtuse, entire or repand, cuneate at base, up to I in long, 75 in

1. Ocimum gratissimum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 608.

Deccan and Carnatic, in low country, cultivated and probably introduced only, chiefly found on waste land and near villages. Shrubby Basil.

broad; nutlets orbicular, compressed, mucilaginous when wetted.....5. adscendens.

A shrub reaching 4—6 ft. in height, much branched, the flowers pale greenish-yellow, the leaves strongly aromatic and used in medicine. Vern. Hind. Ram tulsi; Tel. Rama tulasi.

2. Ocimum basilicum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 608.

Carnatic, cultivated. Sweet Basil.

A large herbaceous plant with large leaves and long close racemes of white or pale purple whorled flowers. Vern. Hind. Babui tulsi, Kali tulsi.

Var. thyrsiflorum, Benth.; Wt. Ic. t. 868.

Deccan, probably cultivated only.

A stout, nearly glabrous, herbaceous plant with the racemes short and collected in terminal thyrsoid panicles, the flowers pink.

Var. purpurascens, Benth. Carnatic, introduced.

> A slender herb with nearly single racemes, narrow lanceolate leaves and a generally purple colour.

Var. pilosum, Benth.

Deccan and Carnatic, cultivated and run wild.

A slender hispid-pubescent herb with small leaves and narrower racemes, the fruiting calyces much smaller. 3. Ocimum canum, Sims.; F. B. I. iv. 607.

Most plains Districts, near villages and on waste lands, probably introduced; also in Nilgiris. Hoary Basil.

An erect much-branched herb, with white, pink or purplish flowers, used in medicine. Vern. Tel. Kukka tulasi.

4. Ocimum sanctum, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 609.

All plains Districts, cultivated in pots or on pedestals at all Hindu houses and in temples and frequently found run wild. Sacred Basil.

An erect much-branched softly pubescent undershrub with red or purple small flowers. As the most sacred of plants to Hindus it is carefully looked after, and when large enough to form wood, it is made into beads for rosaries. It is also used medicinally. Vern. Hind. Tulsi; Tam., Tel. Tulasi.

5. Ocimum adscendens, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 609.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic from the Godavari to Tinnevelly and S. Travancore, in sandy places and up to 3000 ft. in hilly country.

An annual (?) herb, erect or prostrate with ascending branches, the flowers pale rose, the fruiting calyx yellow and papery.

## 2. Orthosiphon, Benth.

Shrubs, undershrubs or herbs with a woody rootstock, the roots sometimes tuberous. Leaves opposite, floral leaves bract-like, usually short and reflexed, sometimes large and coloured. Flowers usually in whorls of 6 or less, in terminal racemes. Calyx ovoid campanulate or tubular, deflexed in fruit, 5-lobed, the upper lobe broad, membranous, with decurrent margins, the lateral and lower lobes distinct or shortly connate, subulate or aristate. Corolla 2-lipped; tube as long as or longer than the calyx, sometimes very long, often slender, straight or incurved; upper lip subequally 4-lobed, lower declinate, entire, concave. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate; filaments free, without appendages at the base; anther-cells confluent. Disk usually gibbous. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, with a capitate or clavate stigma. Fruit of 4 dry ovoid globose or ellipsoid nutlets, usually smooth, the basal scar small.

Stamens exserted from the long and slender corolla-tube:—
Stamens shorter than the spreading corolla-lobes; corolla-tube 1.25 in. long, villous; fruiting calyx 5 in. long, tubular, hispid and glandular, the upper lip

orbicular, the 4 lower teeth subulate, equal; leaves sessile, oblong or obovate, obtuse, crenulate, up to 2.5 in. long, 1 in. broad, rugose and tomentose, strongly

Stamens much longer than the corolla-lobes; corolla-tube 5 in long puberulous; fruiting calyx 3 in long, campanulate, the upper lip spreading, the 4 lower teeth aristate, the 2 lowest longest and curved; leaves petioled, ovate, acuminate, cuneate at base, coarsely toothed, up to 4 in long, 2 in broad, glabrous except

1. Orthosiphon diffusus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 613.

Deccan, hilly country of N. Arcot and Cuddapah, up to 3,000 ft., most usually in rocky places; W. Gháts, N. and E. slopes of

Nilgiris and Pulneys in similar localities.

A diffuse undershrub with many branches from a stout woody rootstock, short and with short racemes in very dry places, longer and with more slender racemes and larger leaves (var. hispidus, Hook. f.) in better soils.

2. ORTHOSIPHON PALLIDUS, Royle; F. B. I. iv. 613.

N. Circars, in Godavari and Kistna; Carnatic, about Madras, in wet places near streams and in rice-fields; Nilgiris to 4,000 ft. (Clarke).

A low diffuse undershrub with many branches from a woody

rootstock, the flowers white or pale lilac.

3. ORTHOSIPHON GLABRATUS, Benth. O. tomentosus. var. glabratus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 614.

N. Circars, in Godavari; W. Deccan, in Mysore, Bellary and Salem; hills of the Carnatic and E. slopes of the Ghats to S. Travancore, up to 3,000 ft., chiefly in dry open forests.

An erect herb, reaching about 2 ft. in height, with pale purple

flowers of medium size.

Var. parviflorus, Benth. Corolla small and narrow, 25 in. long; leaves ovate, coarsely serrate, under 1 in. long, petioles slender, 75 in. W. Gháts, Nilgiris to hills of Tinnevelly, scarce.

4. Orthosiphon viscosus, Benth. O. tomentosus var. viscosus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 614.

Deccan, Nagar Hills of N. Arcot; W. Gháts, in all Districts at

· low levels, in forest glades.

An erect glandular pubescent herb with, apparently, pale purple flowers, the corolla usually large. Var. rubiginosus seems to differ only by being less pubescent and having rather longer petioles to the leaves.

5. Orthosiphon Rubicundus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 614.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, in deciduous forest undergrowth, but in somewhat open places; Deccan, in the hills of the Ceded Districts, westwards to Coimbatore; W. Gháts, N. and E. slopes of the Nilgiris up to 6,000 ft.

An erect much branching herb from a stout rootstock, the root often furnished with fusiform root-tubers. The flowers may be white lilac or rose, and the racemes 6 in. long or more, usually with distant whorls of flowers.

Var. Hohenackeri, Hook. f. A smaller plant with many branches from a stout rootstock and with smaller leaves and flowers, the calyxtube very hispid.

Nilgiri Hills, at about 6,000 ft. (Hohenacker, Gamble).

6. ORTHOSIPHON COMOSUS, Wt. ex Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 615. O. bracteatus, Wt. Ic. t. 1428.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, about 2,000-

.000 ft.

A striking and handsome shrubby plant conspicuous for the comose tuft of mauve-coloured floral leaves at the ends of the racemes. The upper lip of the corolla has 2 end and 2 side lobes, the lower is oblong. The ellipsoid nutlets are smooth and shining.

7. ORTHOSIPHON STAMINEUS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 615. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 2,000—3,000 ft.

An erect herb with white or lilac flowers, conspicuous for the very long filiform stamens. The broad upper lip of the corolla is 4-lobed, the lower lip linear-oblong, entire; the floral leaves are small and persistent. The nutlets are ellipsoid, marked with labyrinthiform wavy lines.

### 3. Acrocephalus, Benth.

Herbs. Leaves small, opposite or whorled, petioled. Flowers very small, in dense whorls collected in terminal or axillary, globose or ovoid, heads with a pair of floral leaves and imbricate bracts. Calyx in flower ovoid, in fruit tubular, gibbous at base, 2-lipped, the upper lip flat, entire, the lower entire emarginate or 4-toothed, throat naked. Corolla small, somewhat 2-lipped, the upper lip subequally 4-lobed, the lower entire, scarcely longer. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate; filaments free, filiform, not appendiculate at base; anthers 1-celled. Disk small. Ovary 4-partite; styles slender, shortly bifid at apex. Fruit of 4 smooth dry nutlets.

Acrocephalus indicus, Briq. A. capitatus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 611. N. Circars, forests from Ganjam to Godavari, in damp places; W. Gháts and W. Coast in damp grassy places up to 3,000 ft. An annual erect herb, sometimes quite small, but in places reaching 2 ft. in height, the flowers pale purple, the leaves ovate or lanceolate, acute, cuneate at base to the petiole, serrate, up to 1.5 in. long. 5 in. broad, the heads 25—75 in. long.

# 4. Geniosporum, Wall.

Herbs, erect or procumbent. Leaves opposite or whorled, toothed, floral leaves bract-like, often coloured. Flowers small, many, in whorls in long terminal lax or stiff spikes or racemes; bracts small, caducous. Calyx in flower ovoid, in fruit tubular, the tube constricted above, 10-nerved and often with transverse bars; lobes 5, subbilabiate, the uppermost larger, not decurrent. Corolla small, 2-lipped; tube short; upper lip 4-lobed; lower lip entire, declinate: Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate; filaments free, often flattened, not appendiculate; anthers

1-celled, later flattened out. Disk swollen, gibbous. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, bifid at apex, the lobes usually flattened. Fruit of 4 dry, ovoid or oblong, smooth or slightly punctate nutlets, not or very slightly mucilaginous when wetted.

1. Geniosporum prostratum, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 610.

Carnatic, on sandy ground, especially near the sea, common near Madras.

A many-branched herb, very variable in pubescence, also in the shape of the leaves, which, in the prostrate more glabrous forms are small and ovate, in the more erect and hispid ones (ocimoides) elongate, up to 1 in. long, '4 in. broad. Flowers red.

Var. gracile, Thw. Nearly quite glabrous, the racemes panicled, the leaves very narrow 1 in. broad and up to 1.5 in. long, the side calyx-lobes broader, ovate like the upper one, the 2 lowest small. Coast of the Carnatic.

2. Geniosporum indicum, Briq. G. elongatum, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 610

N. Circars, Jeypore Hills of Vizagapatam (Beddome). A very slender plant, chiefly found in Ceylon.

#### 5. Platystoma, Beauv.

Small annual herbs. Leaves opposite, petioled, serrate. Flowers minute, in many-flowered whorls in slender racemes terminal to the stem and branches with a pair of floral leaves at the base; bracts broad, caducous. Calyx campanulate, deflexed in fruit, 2-lipped, the upper lip ovate, not decurrent, with a tooth at each side near the base; lower lip ovate, obtuse, slightly concave. Corolla-tube very short, widely campanulate at the mouth; upper lip broad, 4-lobed, lower entire, scarcely longer. Stamens 4 declinate; filaments free; anthers 1-celled, at length flattened. Disk swollen, gibbous. Ovary 4-partite; style shortly bifid at apex. Fruit of 4 ovoid, smooth nutlets.

PLATYSTOMA FLACCIDUM, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 611.

Mysore, at Sagar, 2,000 ft. (Meebold).

An erect herb up to 12 in. high with pale lilac flowers, the leaves ovate, acute, narrowed at base into the petiole, serrate, up to 1.5 in. long, 75 in. broad, nearly glabrous.

#### 6. Moschosma, Reichb.

Herbs. Leaves opposite, crenate or dentate, petioled. Flowers very small, in whorls of 6-10, pedicelled, in slender axillary and terminal

racemes; bracts small. Calyx ovoid or campanulate, 2-lipped, the upper lobe or 3 upper lobes larger than the 4 or 2 lower, not decurrent, throat naked. Corolla 2-lipped, the upper lip 4-lobed, the lobes subequal or the 2 middle ones rather longer, the lower entire, longer than the upper. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate; filaments filiform, not appendiculate; anther-cells confluent. Disk uniform. Ovary 4-partite; style 2-fid at tip. Fruit of 4 compressed smooth nutlets; basal scar small.

Moschosma Polystachyum, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 612.

Carnatic, from Nellore southwards to S. Travancore, common, more scarce inland.

A slender erect annual herb with sharply quadrangular stems, pale pink or flesh-coloured very small flowers, ovate deltoid acuminate leaves, entire at the truncate base, crenate above, and very slender racemes about 2 in. long.

#### 7. Plectranthus, L'Hér.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs, the stems usually more or less 4-angled, sometimes succulent. Leaves opposite or ternate. Flowers usually small, in panicled or racemed 6—8 flowered cymes or whorls, with pairs of floral leaves; bracts usually small but sometimes large and caducous. Calyx usually 2-lipped, enlarged in fruit; lobes 5, subequal or the uppermost widest and sometimes decurrent. Corolla 2-lipped; tube exserted, straight or decurved, the throat equal or obliquely swollen, the upper lip short, 4-fid, recurved, the lower entire, boatshaped, narrow or stipitate at the base. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate; filaments free; anther-cells usually confluent. Disk usually enlarged in front. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, 2-fid at tip. Fruit of 4 orbicular ovoid or oblong nutlets, smooth or punctate.

Fruiting calyx decurved, more or less 2-lipped, the upper lip 3-, the lower 2-lobed, sometimes subequally 5-lobed; slender herbs, never succulent:—

Lips of the fruiting calyx prominent, ribs also prominent:—
Leaves narrowly linear-lanceolate, shallowly serrate in the upper half only, the lower half entire and attenuate to a short petiole, up to 3 in. long, 4 in. broad, nearly or quite glabrous; corolla short, 15 in. long, the lobes short

Fruiting calyx 2-lipped, the upper lip entire, the lower 4-lobed; stout plants, often succulent or fleshy:—

Fruiting calyx nearly 5 in. long, the lower lip longer than the small round upper, the teeth incurved and aristate; corolla 3 in. long, the lower lip obtuse; leaves broadly ovate, cordate, deeply and usually doubly crenate, pale, nearly glabrous above, puberulous beneath and villous on the nerves, up to about 6 in. in diam.

8. incanus.

Fruiting calyx about '25 in. long, the upper and lower lips nearly equal:—
Inflorescence of elongate panicles of racemes with whorls of about 6 flowers on slender pedicels; corolla very small, about '15 in. long, villious, the lower lip obtuse; leaves broadly ovate or orbicular, cordate, lobulate, the lobules crenate, about 4 in. in diam., flaccid and glabrous; petiole very long.......9. subincisus.
Inflorescence panicled, of racemes about 1 in. or more long in elongate thyrsi:—

II. urticifolius.

Leaves rather small, not over 3 in. long, petioled:—
Leaves orbicular, 1—1.5 in. in diam., obtuse, base slightly cuneate and not toothed, upper part crenate, tawny-pubescent; thyrsoid panicles up to 10 in. long, the racemes 1—1.5 in. long, the flowers close; fruiting calyx nearly .2 in. long, tawny villous; corolla .5—75 in., the lower lip acute

13. Bourneae.

Leaves ovate, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad, acute, base rounded or slightly cuneate, not toothed, upper part crenate, minutely puberulous; thyrsoid panicles up to 10 in. long, the racemes very slender, single or in pairs on a peduncle, up to 3 in. long, the flowers distant; fruiting calyx scarcely ·125 in. long, villous at base; corolla 6 in. long, the lower lip subobtuse [4. Bishopianus.

1. PLECTRANTHUS WALKERI, Arn.; F. B. I. iv. 617.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly at 4,000 ft., on the banks of streams.

A herb, decumbent at base, then erect, the flowers pink (Trimen), the narrow leaves very characteristic.

2. PLECTRANTHUS RIVULARIS, Wt.; F. B. I. iv. 617.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Anamalais, about 6,000 ft., in wet places; Atraimalai Hills, 3,000—4,000 ft. (Beddome).

A tall herb, with long racemes of many-flowered short cymes in distant whorls.

3. PLECTRANTHUS NIGRESCENS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 617.
W. Gháts, hills of Mysore (Talbot, Meebold); Shembaganur in Pulneys at 6,000 ft. (L. Anglade).
A slender herb with many-branched slender panicles of white flowers spotted with red, long-pedicelled in dichasioid cymes.

4. PLECTRANTHUS WIGHTH, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 619; Wt. Ill. t. 194; Wt. Ic. t. 1429. *P. pulneyensis*, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 617. *P.* 

nepetaefolius, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 619.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys up to 8,000 ft. and chiefly at higher levels, common; Shevaroy Hills of Salem. A tall herb with white flowers speckled with red points and large panicles of prominently small-bracted cymes. The leaves are normally cordate at base, but many Pulney specimens (chiefly P. pulneyensis, Hook. f.) have them straight or slightly cuneate. Fyson ('Hillt. Flora,' i. 322) seems to be right in considering the three as one variable species. In the form nepetaefolius the corollas are usually longer and narrower and the panicles more slender.

5. PLECTRANTHUS STOCKSII, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 618.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 6,000 ft. (Heyne, fide 'F. B. I.,'

Meebold).

A slender annual, decumbent and rooting at base, the stems thin, erect, the corollas white with purple spots.

6. PLECTRANTHUS NILGHERRICUS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 619.
W. Gháts, Nilgiris, from Wynaad upwards, 4,000—7,000 ft.
A tall herb, reaching 3 ft. high or more from a large rootstock, the whole plant tawny villous and the large panicles very (especially the calyces) yellowish woolly. The corollas are apparently white with red spots and the whole plant is usually covered with red glands.

7. PLECTRANTHUS COETSA, Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don; F. B. I. iv. 619.

P. menthoides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 620.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, at 5,000—8,000 ft., edges of Shola Forest; N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,500 ft. (Gamble).

A tall herb with more or less tomentose leaves white beneath

and lavender-blue flowers.

Var. Macraei, Hook. f. in Herb. Kew. P. Macraei, Benth.; Wt. Ic. t. 1430. Leaves rounded at base, smaller, especially on the branches, softly tomentose, cymes denser and more closely-flowered, but in many cases running into the type.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, at 5,000-8,000 ft., in moist

places and on the banks of ditches (Wight).

8. Plectranthus incanus, Link; F. B. I. iv. 621.

Deccan, Carnatic and W. Gháts, in hilly country, at about 3,000—6.000 ft.

An erect herb, reaching 2.5 ft. high with pale leaves and fleshy stem and branches, the racemes up to 9 in. long, the flowers pale lilac or light blue, the nutlets spotted.

9. PLECTRANTHUS SUBINCISUS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 621.

Hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, scarce.

A small erect flaccid herb, the racemes reaching 10 in. long, the nutlets pitted.

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10. PLECTRANTHUS COLEOIDES, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 622. Coleus Wightii, Benth.; Wt. Ic. t. 1433.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, at 4,000

-7,000 ft., in wet places.

A succulent herbaceous plant reaching 3 ft. in height, the stems purple, the panicles reaching 12 in. Iong and up to 8 in. in diam., the flowers lilac, the nutlets black and shining. When young the upper parts of the racemes have conspicuous large rounded bracts which are very early deciduous.

- 11. PLECTRANTHUS URTICIFOLIUS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 622.
  W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, at about 4,500 ft.
  A succulent herb with short stem and large panicles, the flowers apparently purple, the nutlets brown and shining.
- 12. PLECTRANTHUS FRUTICOSUS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 623.

  W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, about 7,000 ft., banks of lakes and streams.

  A large succulent undershrub with thick spongy stem, the flowers mauve, the inflorescence often 12 in. long and very dense. Lady Bourne says that it is planted for hedges in the
- Pulneys."

  13. PLECTRANTHUS BOURNEAE, Gamble in Kew Bull., 1924, ined.

  W. Gháts, Pulney Hills, about 6,000—7,000 ft., near Kodaikanal, along streams, especially in rocky places (Bourne); Coonoor, in Nilgiris 6,500 ft. (Gamble).

  A large succulent undershrub with thick stem, the flowers lilac,

14. PLECTRANTHUS BISHOPIANUS, Gamble in Kew Bull, 1924, ined. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills, near Pillar Rocks, Kodaikanal, about 7,000 ft. (Bournes), drawing in Hb. Kew by Mrs. Bishop. A large erect slightly fleshy undershrub with lilac flowers, the lower leaves often rather large and more rounded and purplish,

the branches of the inflorescence very slender

the leaves whitish or tawny tomentose.

# 8. Coleus, Lour.

Herbs or undershrubs, usually aromatic, often fleshy. Leaves opposite. Flowers in close or lax paniculate or racemose cymes, with pairs of very caducous floral leaves; bracts also very caducous. Calyx 2-lipped, the tube usually decurved, the throat often oblique; upper lip broad, the lower of 4 usually acuminate lobes. Corolla 2-lipped; tube exserted, decurved; upper lip short and slightly 4-lobed, recurved; lower lip long, entire, boat-shaped, narrow or stipitate at base. Stamens 4, didynamous, connate below in a sheath around the style; anthercells confluent. Disk enlarged in front. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, 2-fid at tip. Fruit of 4 orbicular or ovoid nutlets, smooth, the basal scar small.

Calyx-throat villous with a ring of white hairs:-Fruiting calyx with upper lip broad, very obtuse, shorter than the lower; floral leaves ovate, acute; whorls of flowers densely packed; leaves subsessile, glabrous, very fleshy, obovate, obtuse, entire or crenate, up to 2 in. long, 1 in. broad; Fruiting calyx with upper lip ovate acuminate, a little longer than the lower; floral leaves broadly ovate, long acuminate; whorls of flowers close at first afterwards up to 1 in. distant; leaves petioled, villous, not fleshy, ovate, obtuse, 

Calyx-throat glabrous within:-Flowers shortly pedicelled, in dense whorls at distant intervals in a long rather slender raceme; leaves petioled, thick and fleshy, very villous, broadly ovate, crenate, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad; calyx hispid, small, the upper lip ovate Flowers in short cymes in pairs or whorls at distant intervals in long racemes often paniculate; leaves long-petioled, membranous, glabrous, ovate, acute cordate rounded or slightly acute at base, up to 7 in. long, 5 in. broad; calyx glabrous, fruiting large, the upper lip rounded and reflexed, the lower of 4 

1. Coleus spicatus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 624; Wt. Ic. t. 1431. Deccan, especially in Salem and Coimbatore, in arid places on rocky ground among bushes. A perennial fleshy herb with subquadrangular softly hairy stems ascending from a procumbent base and with a strong scent.

Flowers pale lilac. 2. Coleus Barbatus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 625; Wt. Ic. t. 1432. Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country; W. Gháss, Nilgiris and Pulneys up to 7,000 ft.; often cultivated in gardens.

A perennial aromatic herb with branches from a thick rootstock, very softly-generally white-hairy, the flowers blue.

3. Coleus amboinicus, Lour. C. aromaticus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 625; Wt. Ill. t. 175.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, a Malay species cultivated and found run wild.

A rather large succulent very aromatic herb with small pale purple flowers, said to be known as Indian Borage and used for flavouring drinks and in medicine. Vern. Hind. Pathor chur.

4. Coleus Malabaricus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 626.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly up to 6,000 ft.

A large erect herbaceous plant reaching 3 ft., with often purple stems and leaves, the flowers pale lilac with dark blue upper lip. Coleus parviflorus, Benth., F. B. I. iv. 625, is a species sometimes cultivated in Southern Districts for its edible tubers. C. Blumei, Benth., is a beautiful species with the leaves mottled with deep purple or sanguineous stains (see 'Bot. Mag.,' t. 4754), which is commonly cultivated in gardens.

## 9. Anisochilus, Wall.

Herbs or undershrubs, often fleshy. Leaves opposite or whorled. Flowers small, in dense tetragonal or cylindrical or slender whorled spikes, the floral leaves and bracts often caducous, red glands often covering especially the corollas. Calyx suberect, inflated below the middle, 2-lipped or 5-lobed, rarely 1-lipped, the upper lip often entire and much deflexed, the lower short, truncate or minutely lobed. Corolla 2lipped, the tube slender below, inflated above and decurved; upper lip entire or 3—4-lobed, lower elongate, concave. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate, filaments free. Disk lobed. Ovary 4-partite; style bifid at apex. Fruit of 4 ovoid dry nutlets, basal scar small.

Upper lip of fruiting calyx entire, deflexed, concealing the mouth, lower lip

truncate obscurely toothed:—
Upper lip large and conspicuous in the spikes; spikes 5 in. in diam., usually

1-2 in. long in fruit:-

Upper lip ovate, acute at apex, 1 in. long, tube swollen and curved, 2 in.

Calyx-tube pubescent without, not silky-villous at the mouth; leaves broadly ovate, obtuse, cordate or rounded at base, deeply crenate, glabrous or villous above, puberulous beneath, up to 3.5 in. long, 2 in. broad, petiole up to .....1. carnosus. Calyx-tube densely white silky-villous at the mouth, glabrous towards the base; leaves thick, orbicular-ovate, obtuse, cordate, shallowly crenate, glandular puberulous, up to 2 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, but usually smaller, Upper lip obtuse and broad glabrous, prominently reticulate, ciliate, tube not much curved, very villous, 2 in. long; leaves thick, ovate, obtuse rounded or attenuate at base, crenulate, densely softly hoary tomentose, up to nearly 2 in. 

Upper lip obtuse, ciliate; spikes short, in many-branched trichotomous panicles; leaves thick, ovate or orbicular, obtuse, cordate or rounded at base, crenulate, hoary-tomentose, up to 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad.; petiole .5 in long

4. paniculatus. Upper lip acute, white-puberulous; spikes long and narrow, 3-6 only in a very long-peduncled panicle; leaves ovate, obtuse, cuneate at base, crenate, hoary-

Upper lip of fruiting calyx short, entire or notched, not concealing the mouth, lower lip truncate:-

Spikes solitary, terminal on the branches:-Spikes shortly peduncled (1-1.5 in.), very slender, 1-15 in. in diam., 2-3 in. long; leaves obovate, obtuse, sessile, slightly crenate, .75 in. long, with 3-4 pairs of very oblique impressed main nerves, collected close under the spikes; 

Spikes long-peduncled in fruit:-

Spikes 2-4 in. long, 3-4 in. in diam., cylindrical, densely white villous on the bracts and calyces; leaves opposite or whorled, sessile, oblanceolate, acute, entire, almost parallel-nerved, densely silvery- or tawny-tomentose, up Spikes 3-9 in. long, up to 5 in. in diam., cylindrical, with inconspicuous lanceolate bracts; leaves in whorls, sessile, oblong lanceolate or oblanceolate, acute, entire or crenulate, with 5-6 pairs of oblique main nerves, silky-villous, up to 3 in. long, 5 in. broad; corolla large, the tube much enlarged above, the lips spreading......8. verticillatus.

Spikes short-peduncled, terminal and axillary on the branches of a leafy

panicle:-

Spikes 1-3 in. long, 2-3 in. in diam., cylindrical, the bracts inconspicuous; leaves subsessile, opposite, obovate, obtuse, entire or obscurely crenate, fulvous-tomentose, with 3-4 pairs of very oblique main nerves, up to 2 in long, .....10. sericeus.

1. Anisochilus carnosus, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 627.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in rocky places on the hills, up to 3,000 ft. or more, less common on W. Coast.

An erect herb with tetragonous stems, and flowers in long-peduncled spikes, small in flower but large and strobilate in fruit, and covered with red glands. Corolla pale purple, nutlets orbicular, compressed, shining, brown.

2. Anisochilus eriocephalus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 627.

Deccan, in Cuddapah, N. Arcot and Chittoor, up to 4,000 ft. on Horsleykonda (Gamble), Bellary fort (Wight); Mysore or Canara (Law).

An erect herb similar to the last but with smaller heads and

more slender peduncles.

3. Anisochilus scaber, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 627.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore. A herb with woody stems, rooting at the nodes, the branches ascending, usually with only single heads, sometimes reaching 3 in. long and purplish when dry, the corolla with long boatshaped lower lip.

4. Anisochilus paniculatus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 628. Trimen, Fl.

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Deccan, in Mysore? (G. Thomson); W. Gháts, Eachadi Hills in S. Travancore (K. Venkoba Row), in dry forests.

An erect herb with stout stem and pale nearly white flowers.

5. Anisochilus Wighti, Hook. f.; F. B. İ. iv. 628. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Wight, Barber).

An erect herb with narrow spikes, a small calyx and much bent, apparently pale, corolla.

6. Anisochilus plantagineus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 628.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).

A dwarf undershrub with a very thick rootstock and decumbent stems giving out short erect flower-bearing spikes, the fruiting calyx minute, villous.

7. Anisochilus argenteus, Gamble in Kew Bull, 1924, ined.

W. Gháts, Kodaikanal Ghát new road in the Pulneys (Bourne). A rather stout undershrub with erect silvery branches and long spikes, the fruiting calyx minute, very tomentose, with rounded upper lip and incurved lower lip.

8. Anisochilus verticillatus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 629.

Hyderabad, Golconda Hills (Beddome); Gairsoppa Falls, Mysore, 2,000—3,000 ft. (Meebold).

An erect herb, reaching 3 ft. in height, with deeply grooved stems and pale blue flowers, the fruiting calyx very small, truncate.

9. Anisochilus dysophylloides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 628; Wt. Ic. t. 1434. A. albidus, Wt. Ic. t. 1436.

W. Gháts, about Coonoor, 6,000 ft. in Nilgiris.

A thick undershrub with decumbent tomentose stems sending up short erect branchlets bearing spikes of usually white flowers.

Var. purpureus, Gamble. A. purpureus, Wt. Ic. t. 1435; Spic. Neilg. t. 195.

Leaves shorter and rather broader, often orbicular, the spikes stouter and more silky, the flowers white streaked with pink. About Coonoor, on rocks (Wight), Pykara (Bourne).

Anisochilus sericeus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 629.
 W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly.

A stout undershrub with long erect stems and slender conspicuously bracteate spikes. It is very near to the last species, but is evidently a much larger plant and the young shoots have dense rather large leaves.

11. Anisochilus suffruticosus, Wt. Ic. t. 1437; F. B. I. iv. 628.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, at Sispara, on rocky cliffs among grass, about 7,000 ft. (Wight, Gardner).

An erect thick woody undershrub reaching 3 ft. in height, the corollas whitish with pale lilac at the ends of both lips (Wt. Spic. Neilg., t. 196).

12. Anisochilus robustus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 629.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, apparently about 6,000 ft. (Wight, Beddome, etc.).

A tall stout plant, perhaps shrubby, the stems subtetragonous, the leaves soft and thick, a very distinct species.

# 10. Hyptis, Jacq.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves opposite. Flowers small or mediumsized, variously arranged, often capitate. Calyx ovoid campanulate or tubular, subequally 5-lobed, often accrescent. Corolla-tube cylindric; lobes 5, the lower lobe or lip deflexed and saccate, the others erect and spreading, flat. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate; filaments free; anther-cells confluent. Disk entire or glandular. Ovary 4-partite; style with a subentire or shortly bifid stigma. Fruit of 4 dry ovoid or oblong nutlets, smooth or rugulose; basal scar small.

Hyptis suaveolens, Poit.; F. B. I. iv. 630.

Most plains Districts, on roadsides and waste ground, introduced from Tropical America and run wild.

A tall sweet-smelling herb with tetragonal hispid stems, ovate, cordate, denticulate leaves reaching 4.5 in. long and small blue flowers, the fruiting calvx campanulate and ribbed with 5 aristate teeth. Vern. *Hind*. Wilayati tulsi.

## 11. Lavandula, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs, often aromatic. Leaves opposite or whorled, entire dentate or pinnatisect. Flowers in 2—10-flowered whorls collected in simple or panicled spikes; bracts persistent. Calyx erect, tubular, 10—15-ribbed, shortly and equally 5-toothed. Corolla oblique, 2-lipped, the upper lip 2-fid, the lower 3-partite, the lobes all spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, declinate, included; filaments free, anther-cells confluent. Disk with 4 lobes, opposite the ovary lobes. Ovary 4-partite; style 2-fid, the lobes flattened. Fruit of 4 dry smooth nutlets, the basal scar somewhat oblique, the back marked by a large white areole.

1. LAVANDULA GIBSONI, Grah.; F. B. I. iv. 631. L. Lawii, Wt. Ic. t. 1439

Nilgiri Hills (Perrottet).

A tall undershrub with flowers in compact woolly spikes.

2. LAVANDULA BIPINNATA, O. Kze. L. Burmanni, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 621; Wt. Ic. t. 1438.

Deccan, in Canara, Mysore and Coorg; Ramandrúg Hills in

A slender erect herb with blue or white flowers in solitary or panicled spikes.

# 12. Pogostemon, Desf.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs, often aromatic. Leaves opposite, rarely ternate. Flowers small, in clusters or racemules in whorls on usually elongate spikes or racemes; the lower whorls often with floral leaves, the upper with bracts and bracteoles, the latter usually very small. Calyx more or less tubular, equally 5-lobed, the tube naked within, often enlarged in fruit. Corolla-tube included or exserted, 2-lipped, the upper lip 3-lobed, the lower narrower and longer. Stamens 4, exserted, subequal; filaments usually bearded; anther-cells confluent. Disk subentire. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, 2-fid with slender stigmatic lobes. Fruit of 4 smooth, ovoid or ellipsoid, dry nutlets, one face often angled.

Spikes or racemes of clusters terminal and axillary, forming a panicled inflorescence:—

Clusters close, interrupted towards the base of the not very paniculate spikes but continuous and regular and close above, the floral leaves reflexed; bracts ovate lanceolate, slightly falcate, ciliate, '2 in. long, shorter than the calyx; calyx teeth about equal to the tube; leaves membranous, ovate or ovate-lanceolate, cuneate at base, inciso-serrate, softly hairy, up to about 5 in. long, 2 in. broad

purpurascens.

Clusters usually close but occasionally interrupted especially in the terminal spikes of the panicle, the floral leaves mostly reflexed; bracts oblong-lanceolate, membranous, ciliate, ·2 in. long, usually longer than the calyx; calyx-teeth much shorter than the tube; leaves membranous, ovate, acuminate, cuneate at base, inciso-crenate, softly pubescent, up to 3 in. long, 1·5 in. broad............4. Gardneri. Clusters close and densely packed on the branches of large panicles; leaves chartaceous, long-petioled, often doubly crenate, but scarcely incised:—

chartaceous, long-petioled, often doubly crenate, but scarcely incised:—
Stems and leaves nearly glabrous, also the floral leaves; imbricating short
bracts slightly longer than the calyx; calyx-teeth much shorter than the
tube; leaves ovate or ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, rounded or slightly cuneate
at base, singly or doubly crenate-serrate, up to 3.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad

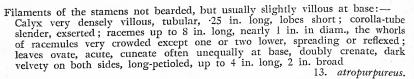
5. pubescens.

Spikes or racemes of clusters terminal or axillary, solitary, not panicled:-

Filaments of the stamens bearded:-

Leaves thin, coarsely crenate or serrate, the petioles long; herbaceous plants

with slender branches:-



Calyx glabrescent or with scattered long strigose hairs, ·25 in, long, lobes long-setaceous; corolla-tube slender, not exserted; racemes up to 6 in. long, ·75 in. in diam., the whorls of racemules crowded except sometimes in the axils of separate large floral leaves below; leaves broadly ovate, acute, cordate at base, doubly crenate, sparsely hairy, long-petioled, up to 4 in. long, 3 in. broad

speciosus

1. Pogostemon paniculatus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 631.

W. Coast, from S. Canara to Travancore, up to about 3,000 ft.

on the Gháts.

An erect herb reaching 4 ft. in height, the flowers apparently white and small, the clusters sometimes, especially in young flowers, quite small and round, but in older plants much elongate and curved almost to a circle.

2. Pogostemon Heyneanus, Benth.; Wt. Ic. t. 1440. P. Patchouli,

Hook. f. in F. B. I. iv. 653, not of Pelletier.

W. Gháts, S. Canara southwards, in open forest land, often cultivated and then run wild; about Kotagiri in Nilgiris, 6,000 ft. (Wight).

A strongly aromatic herb with small flower clusters. The dried

leaves are used to keep off insects.

3. Pogostemon purpurascens, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 632.
W. Coast and W. Gháts, S. Canara, Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).
An erect herb, the stems and branches covered with very soft spreading hairs, the leaves also soft and often in unequal pairs, sometimes tinged with purple, the corollas with purple upper lip and white lower lip.

4. Pogostemon Gardneri, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 632.

W. Gháts, Wynaad (Gardner), Sispara in Nilgiris at about 5,000 ft. (Wight), Mankulam in Travancore Hills, 2,500 ft. (Venkoba Row).

A soft branching herb with reddish stems, all parts very villous.

5. Pogostemon pubescens, Benth. P. parviflorus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 632 in part.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, at about

3,000-5,000 ft.; Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly.

A stout erect nearly glabrous herb. The corollas have the upper lip "white, shot with purple, the lower white, the filaments purple with purple hairs (T. Cooke)."

- 6. Pogostemon plectranthoides, Desf.; F. B. I. iv. 632.
  - N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, up to 3,000 ft. on Mahendragiri, in open places in deciduous forests; Deccan, Nallamalai Hills of Kurnool; W. Gháts, S. Canara to Wynaad.
  - A large erect branching aromatic shrub, with conspicuous flower panicles and long-petioled leaves, the corollas pink or white, the filaments bearded with lilac moniliform hairs. The leaves have the scent of black currants.
- 7. Pogostemon Paludosus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 635.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in wet places near Ootacamund, 7,000 ft. (Wight), at Sispara, 6,000 ft. (Lawson).
  - A slender erect herb with nearly black stems, leaves also turning black when dry.
- 8. Pogostemon Wighth, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 635. P. hirsutus, Wt. Ic. t. 1442, not good and not of Benth.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and Anamalai Hills, about 7,000 ft., in wet places.
  - An erect herb about 2 ft. high with reddish branches, the leaves black when dry. Flowers apparently white, with purple tufts of hair on the filaments.
- 9. Pogostemon rotundatus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 636.
  - Deccan (Heyne), locality not known.
  - A herb with erect branches from a procumbent base, two branches villous with white cottony hair, the leaves greenishbrown when dry.
- 10. Pogostemon Nilagiricus, Gamble n. comb. *P. rotundatus*, Wt. Ic. t. 1441, Spic. Neilgh. t. 197, not of Benth.
  - Nilgiris, on the downs at Ootacamund, 7,000 ft. (Bourne),
- A soft herbaceous plant with white woolly hair on the stems.

  11. Pogostemon mollis, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 635.
- W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, on the plateau above 6,000 ft., in rough places and the edges of shola forests, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelley; Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Bourne).
- A much branched low woody undershrub with white flowers.
- 12. Pogostemon vestitus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 636.
  - Deccan (Heyne), locality not known; W. Gháts, Palghat (Wight). A densely woolly undershrub with ascending branches up to about 18 in. long, the flowers lilac.
- 13. Pogostemon atropurpureus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 636.
  - W. Gháts, Sispara Ghát in Nilgiris, at 6,000 ft., in moist forest. An erect shrubby plant with velvety tawny branches having the hair reflexed, the flowers dark purple, the leaves and inflorescence dark rusty black when dry.
- 14. Pogostemon speciosus, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 637; Wt. Ic. t. 1443. W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Anamalais, at 6,000—8,000 ft., on the edges of Shola forest.
  - A shrub, reaching 3 ft. in height with pilose-hispid brown branches, white flowers tinged with pink and leaves and inflorescence nearly black when dry. The very long stamens give a bottle-brush appearance to the racemes.

15. Pogostemon travancoricus, Bedd. Ic. t. 159; F. B. I. iv. 637. W. Gháts, Atraimalai Ghát, Travancore, at 3,500 ft., Mankulam. 2,500 ft. (K. Venkoba Rao). A subshrubby plant reaching 2 ft. in height, the branches

smooth, the leaves and inflorescence black when dry.

## 13. Dysophylla, Blume.

Herbs. Leaves opposite or whorled. Flowers minute, in dense long spikes or racemes of many whorled cymes; bracts and bracteoles many, usually small. Calyx ovoid or campanulate, equally 5-lobed, the throat naked within. Corolla very small, equally 4-lobed, the tube exserted or included. Stamens 4, exserted, straight or subdeclinate; filaments long, bearded; anther-cells confluent. Disk equal, subentire. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, 2-fid, the stigmatic lobes subulate. Fruit of 4 ovoid or oblong, smooth or rough, dry nutlets, the basal scar small.

Leaves opposite: -Stems and leaves clothed with long soft tawny hair; leaves sessile or shortly petioled, elliptic-oblong or ovate-lanceolate, acute or obtuse, rounded at base, serrate, up to 3 in. long, nearly 1 in. broad; racemes spicate, 2—4 in. long, 3-5 in. broad, the flowers with slender pedicels and lanceolate or spathulate long-ciliate bracts; calyx minute, turbinate; corolla-tube exserted...l. auricularia,

Stems and leaves closely pale-tawny or white silky tomentose:— Spikes very slender, 1.5—4 in. long, about 2 in. broad, the flowers minute with linear bracts; calyx very small, the lobes triangular; corolla-tube included; leaves subsessile, thick, linear-oblong, denticulate in the upper half, up to Spikes about 2 in. long, 25 in. broad, the flowers minute with oblong small bracts; calyx 05 in. long, turbinate, gland-dotted, the teeth triangular, ciliate; corolla-tube included; leaves sub-sessile, linear-oblong, obtuse, crenate or 

Leaves in whorls, plants of wet places:-

Erect plants, not floating:-Racemes single or in leafy panicles, dense, more or less closely grey-pubescent, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. in diam.; leaves linear-oblong or linear-lanceolate, shortly petiolate, serrate, the nerves oblique, up to 4 in. long, 5 in. broad 4. quadrifolia.

Racemes single, very dense, up to about 4 in. long, 4 in. in diam. with a pair of short floral leaves at the base; leaves in distant whorls, linear or narrowly linear-lanceolate usually entire, the margins revolute, strigosely hispid especially 

Water plants, often floating:-Stems decumbent at base, glabrous, often geniculate; leaves 4-5 in a whorl, sometimes more, soft and glabrous, linear, usually entire, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad; spikes very dense and villous, up to 2.5 in. long, 2 in. in diam., the calyx tube 5-angled, glabrous, with incurved villous lobes ...... 6. Griffithii. Stems creeping at base, then with many stiff erect branches with very short internodes; leaves many in a whorl, very short, narrowly linear, entire, 

1. Dysophylla auricularia, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 638; Wt. Ic. t. 1445. Deccan, hills of Mysore and Bellary; Carnatic, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys at 3,000 -6,000 ft.

An erect annual with pale lilac flowers.

2. Dysophylla myosuroides, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 638.

Deccan, Ramandrúg in Sandur Hills, Bellary, at 3,500 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore; Carnatic, base of Kambakam Hill, Chingleput.

A much-branched perennial herb with a woody rootstock, the flowers red; the main nerves of the leaves slender, very oblique.

3. Dysophylla Rugosa, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 638.

Carnatic, hills near Pallamcottah, Tinnevelly (Heyne).

An erect perennial herb similar to the last and perhaps scarcely distinct, the main nerves of the leaves more distant and less oblique.

4. Dysophylla quadrifolia, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 639.

N. Circars, hills of Godavari, up to 3,500 ft., in rocky places near streams and in grass savannahs; W. Gháts, and W. Coast, S. Canara and Malabar to the Anamalais.

An erect aromatic undershrub reaching 4 ft. in height with rose-coloured flowers. There are two forms, one with long leaves drying nearly black and subglabrous, the other grey pubescent when dry with the leaves shorter. Vern. Konda-jajain.

5. Dysophylla cruciata, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 639. D. tetraphylla,

Wt. Ic. t. 1444.

W. Coast, perhaps Malabar (Wight), in wet places.

A pretty crect herb with lilac or pale purple flowers, easily recognized by the regularly spaced whorls of usually 4 leaves with revolute margins. The stamens are bearded with pink or purple.

6. Dysophylla Griffithii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 641.

N. Circars, wet places at Bamunpodor in Ganjam (Gamble). An aquatic herb, rooting in mud or floating in water, the many spikes at the ends of the branches erect, the flowers pink.

7. Dysophylla stellata, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 640.

W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore, in rice-fields.

A pretty water plant with minute pink flowers and the stamens

bearded with purple hairs.

Var. gracilis, T. Cooke. D. gracilis, Dalz.; F. B. I. iv. 641, taller and with rather more distant whorls or leaves, the stem also thicker with prominent nodal scars.

Canara and Mysore (Law).

## 14. Colebrookea, Smith.

A shrub, densely hoary or woolly. Leaves opposite or ternate, petioled, elliptic-oblong or -lanceolate, crenulate. Flowers small, functionally dioecious, in bracteate clusters on elongate spikes arranged in panicles. Calyx-tube very short; teeth subulate, in fruit elongate, capillary and feathery. Corolla small, tube very short, lobes 4, subequal. Stamens 4, exserted in of flowers, included in Q; filaments naked; anthers orbicular, the cells confluent. Disk uniform. Ovary 4-partite; style bifid, the lobes subulate. Fruit of 1-4 obovoid dry nutlets with hairy tips, the basal scar small.

COLEBROOKEA OPPOSITIFOLIA, Sm.; F. B. I. iv. 642. C. ternifolia, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 245.

N. Circars, common in hilly forests up to 3,500 ft., chiefly in ravines; Deccan, in hill forests in Mysore; W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore in dry forest localities.

An erect much-branched very white-tomentose shrub up to 10 ft. high, the flowers white, the fruiting panicles long-plumose, the leaves up to 8 in. long, '3 in. broad, variable in pubescence. Bark grey, rather corky; wood greyish-white, close-grained.

### 15. Micromeria, Benth.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves usually small, entire or toothed. Flowers small, in axillary few-flowered cymes or in whorls sessile or peduncled on a terminal sometimes panicled raceme; bracts small. Calyx 10—13-nerved, 5-lobed or 2-lipped. Corolla 2-lipped, the tube straight, annulate within, the upper lip entire or emarginate, the lower spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 4 didynamous, the lower pair the longer, ascending, incurved; anther-cells distinct, parallel, at length divergent, the connective usually thickened. Disk cup-shaped. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, 2-lobed at apex, the stigmatic lobes equal or the upper short and lower recurved, flattened. Fruit of 4 smooth, dry-ovoid or oblong nutlets, the basal scar small.

1. MICROMERIA BIFLORA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 650; Wt. Ic. t. 1446.
N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, 3,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington);
W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys above 6,000 ft. common.
An aromatic herb with a very stout rootstock and many tufted ascending wiry stems, the flowers pink.

MICROMERIA CAPITELLATA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 649.
 N. Circars, hills of Ganjam (Barber); W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills at

5,000-6,000 ft.

A very aromatic herb with long slender stems and small purplish flowers in very dense villous whorls.

# 16. Calamintha, Moench.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves entire or toothed. Flowers small, in whorls, the whorls dense and axillary or loose and panicled or spicate; bracts small. Calyx ribbed, ribs usually 13, 2-lipped, the upper lip 3-, the lower 2-lobed and with narrower teeth; throat naked or villous. Corolla 2-lipped, the tube straight, the throat villous, the upper lip erect, entire or emarginate, the lower spreading, 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, the lower pair longer, ascending under the upper lip; anther-cells distinct, parallel or diverging. Ovary 4-celled, style slender, 2-fid, the stigmatic lobes equal or the lower larger. Fruit of 4 minute subglobose dry smooth nutlets; basal scar small.

CALAMINTHA UMBROSA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 650. Melissa umbrosa, Bieb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1447.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, on the downs and in moist

woods at high levels.

A slender straggling laxly hairy herb procumbent at base, then ascending, with purplish or sometimes white flowers in axillary whorls, the leaves ovate, serrate, up to 1.5 in. long.

### 17. Anisomeles, R. Br.

Erect, branching coarse herbs, often very aromatic, the stems usually tetragonous. Leaves opposite, the floral leaves sub-similar. Flowers in axillary whorls of short spikes usually elongating in fruit, or of lax branching cymes, the whole often panicled; bracts linear, 2 to each flower. Calyx ovoid or tubular, straight, equally 5-lobed. Corolla &-lipped, the tube short, annulate within; upper lip short, erect, entire; lower broad, spreading, 3-lobed, the midlobe large, bifid or emarginate. Stamens 4, didynamous, exserted, the lower pair longer; anthers of upper pair 2-celled, of lower 1-celled, the cells transverse and parallel. Disk equal. Ovary 4-partite; style slender, 2-fid, the stigmatic lobes equal, subulate. Fruit of 4 smooth dry lenticular nutlets, the basal scar small.

Stem and branches acutely tetragonous; fruiting calyx prominently reticulate; filaments bearded:—

- 1. Anisomeles Heyneana, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 672.
  W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills (Wight), probably from Wynaad. A tall erect herb reaching 5 ft. in height (Cooke), the corolla white or greenish-white.
- Anisomeles indica, O. Kze. A. ovata, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 672; Wt. Ic. t. 865.

All Districts, except very dry ones, in open forests, on waste land and by roadsides, up to about 5,000 ft., common. An almost shrubby herb reaching 6 ft. in height and smelling strongly of camphor. The corollas have a pale upper lip and purple lower lip and the stems and leaves vary from softly pubescent to velvety tomentose (var. mollissima, Benth.) and nearly white beneath. It is used in medicine.

3. Anisomeles Malabarica, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 673; Wt. Ic. t. 864.
S. Carnatic from Madras southwards to S. Travancore, West to the E. foot of the Gháts, in low country.

An almost shrubby herb reaching 6 ft. in height, densely white woolly and with pale purple flowers. It is used in medicine. Vern. Tel. Moga-bira; Tam. Peyameratti.

#### 18. Scutellaria, Linn.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite; floral leaves usually small and bract-like. Inflorescence various, but often in pairs or whorls in a terminal raceme. Calyx campanulate, 2-lipped, the lips closed in fruit, the upper lip then deciduous, furnished on the back with a large shield or pouch, the lower lip persistent. Corolla 2-lipped, the tube usually sharply recurved above the calyx and then ascending, dilated at the throat, not annulate within; upper lip galeate, entire or notched, lower broad, 3-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous, the lower pair longest; anthers connivent, those of upper pair 2-celled, of lower 1-celled. Disk elongate. Ovary 4-partite, oblique, on a curved gynophore; style slender, 2-fid, one stigmatic lobe very short. Nutlets 4, subglobose, smooth granular or tubercular.

Leaves chiefly radical, with sometimes a few distant pairs on the stem, elliptic, obtuse, rounded or cordate at base, crenate, pubescent, sometimes purple beneath, up to 4 in. long, 2.5 in. or more broad; petioles 1-3 in. long; racemes elongate, solitary or panicled, the floral leaves very small; nutlets minutely tuberculate

Leaves cauline, the floral leaves much smaller and bracteate:-

Erect, stiff plants, pubescent or hispid; leaves ovate, acute, cordate or rounded at base, crenate-serrate, hispid, often purplish beneath, up to 2 in. long, 1-1.5 in. broad, petiole slender, up to about 1 in. long; floral leaves ovate; racemes Straggling weak plants, glabrous or minutely pubescent:-

Slender branching flaccid flexuous herbs; leaves ovate, subacute, rounded or cordate at base, membranous, broadly crenate, up to 3.5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, petiole 1-3 in., floral leaves lanceolate; racemes lax, up to 6 in. long; nutlets Many-branched soft thinly pubescent herbs; leaves deltoid, acute, truncate or cordate at base, rather thick, repand-crenate, minutely tomentose, 1-1.25 in. long and nearly as much broad, petiole .5-.75 in.; floral leaves very small, ovate; racemes elongate, up to 6 in. long; nutlets minutely tuberculate

4. Colebrookiana. Leaves cauline gradually smaller upwards as they pass into floral leaves, the lower shortly petioled, the upper sessile, ovate or lanceolate, obtuse, cordate or rounded at base, entire or slightly crenate, up to 1 in. long, 5 in. broad; pedicels very short; nutlets granulate.....

1. Scutellaria discolor, Coleb.; F. B. I. iv. 667.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law); Marnhalli, 2,000 ft. (Meebold). An annual herb, the stems rooting at the base, the flowers with pale blue corolla about '5 in. long, the pouch of the upper fruiting calyx-lip short and broad.

2. Scutellaria Wightiana, Benth. S. violacea, Heyne, var. hispidior,

Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 668; Wt. Ic. t. 1449.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, at about 5,000-7,000 ft.

A stiff-branched but erect herb, the stems rooting at base, the corollas white or rose (Wight), 5 in. long, the pouch of the upper fruiting calyx-lip deep and hooded.

3. Scutellaria violacea, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 668 in part; Bot. Mag.

t. 8320.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam at 2,500 ft. (Beddome, A. W. Lushington), Rampa Hills of Godavari, at 4,000 ft. (V. Narayanswami); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, up to 7,000 ft.

A flaccid straggling herb, the pouch of the upper fruiting calyxlip concave without, the corolla-tube long, blue with white

patches on the lip.

4. Scutellaria Colebrookiana, Benth. S. violacea var. Colebrookiana, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 668.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly, apparently at

low levels.

A straggling herb of characteristic aspect and soft thick deltoid leaves, the pouch of the upper fruiting calyx-lip usually concave without, the corolla large, especially the broad lower lip.

 Scutellaria rivularis, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 670; Wt. Ic. t. 1450.
 W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in wet places near streams at about 7,000 ft., Pykara (Wight), Cairn Hill Swamp (Gamble).

A nearly glabrous tufted herb with many branches, the lower one rooting below, the corolla lilac or blue and short, the pouch of the upper lip of the fruiting calvx broad and curved forward.

#### 19. Brunella, Linn.

Perennial herbs. Leaves opposite; floral leaves bract-like. Flowers in whorls of 6, closely packed in terminal cylindric heads. Calyx reticulate, white-strigose, 2-lipped, above a short tube closed in fruit; upper lip broad, 3-toothed, lower 2-lobed, the lobes lanceolate, aristate. Corolla ascending, tube annulate at the base within; upper lip erect, galeate; lower lip spreading, the side lobes oblong deflexed, the middle lobe rounded, concave, crenulate. Stamens 4, didynamous, exserted; filaments bifid, especially the upper, at apex, the lower arm antherbearing; anthers conniving, 2-celled, the cells divaricate. Disk erect. Ovary 4-partite, on a gynophore; style slender, 2-lobed, the stigmatic lobes subulate. Fruit of 4 smooth oblong nutlets.

Brunella vulgaris, Linn.: F. B. I. iv. 670. Var. hispida, Benth.; Wt. Ic. t. 1448.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, above

5,000 ft., in grass, on the downs.

A herb with creeping rootstock, the stems and ovate obtuse leaves hispidly hairy, the corollas deep purple-blue or sometimes white, the bracts broadly ovate-cordate, apiculate, often purple on the margins.

## 20. Leonurus, Linn.

Erect stout herbs. Leaves opposite, lobed, floral leaves similar. Flowers in dense axillary whorls; bracts subulate. Calyx-tube turbinate, 5-nerved; teeth 5, spreading, spinescent. Corolla 2-lipped; tube cylindric, annulate within; upper lip erect, entire, lower 3-lobed, the midlobe obcordate. Stamens 4, didynamous, the lower pair the

longest; anthers conniving, the cells transverse. *Disk* uniform. *Ovary* 4-partite; style 2-fid, the stigmatic lobes obtuse or subulate. *Fruit* of 4—3-quetrous truncate, smooth nutlets, the basal scar small.

LEONURUS SIBIRICUS, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 678.

Coorg, Nilgiri Hills and other localities, in waste places. An annual weed with 4-gonous stems and long-petioled pinnatipartite leaves having linear-lanceolate segments. The flowers are red.

#### 21. Leucas, R. Br.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs, nearly always pubescent or villous; branches usually 4-gonous. Leaves opposite or whorled; floral leaves usually similar. Flowers usually white, in axillary few- or manyflowered whorls, rarely quite terminal; bracts usually many, linear or lanceolate, frequently enclosing the base of the whorls. Calyx tubular, 10-ribbed, the mouth straight or oblique, equally or unequally 6—10-toothed, often with a ring of hairs within the teeth, fruiting calyx often elongated. Corolla 2-lipped; tube included, annulate or naked within; upper lip erect concave externally, often densely and white-or tawny-villous, lower lip spreading, 3-lobed, the midlobe very large. Stamens 4, didynamous, the lower pair the longer; filaments ascending under the upper lip; anthers connivent, the cells divaricate, at length confluent. Disk entire or lobed, equal or glandular in front. Ovary 4-partite; style subulate at the apex, the upper lobe obsolete. Fruit of 4 ovoid triquetrous obtuse dry nutlets, the basal scar small.

Mouth of the calyx oblique:—
Longer side of the calyx-mouth anterior, tube prominently ribbed, reticulate and curved; bracts linear-lanceolate, ciliate; corolla-tube slender, '2 in. long, the upper lip '05, the lower '1 in.; whorls up to 1 in. in diam. in most axils; leaves thin, ovate, acute, rounded or slightly cuneate at base, more or less pubescent, coarsely crenate-serrate, up to 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, petiole to 1 in.

1. urticaefolia.

Longer side of the calyx-mouth posterior:-

Calyx-tube bent in the middle to curve outwards or downwards, the teeth long

and slender:—

Calyx-tube erect, not bent in the middle:—

Mouth of the calyx-tube very oblique, the upper tooth long, the rest

smaller:-

 Bracts linear, villous and long-ciliate:-

Calvx-tube uniform:-

Calyx prominently nerved and hispid, 25 in. long, the teeth all sharp; corolla very small, the upper and lower lips nearly equal; whorls close together in the uppermost axils, scarcely 5 in. in diam.; leaves sessile, linear, obtuse, entire or very distantly obscurely serrate, up to 2.5 Calyx not prominently nerved, hispid, 25 in. long, the teeth small; corolla large, the lower lip much longer than the upper, the midlobe broad; whorls terminal with one or more in adjacent axils as well, ·5—·75 in. in diam., leaves subsessile, linear or linear-lanceolate, entire or distantly obscurely serrate, up to 4 in. long, .75 in. broad

6. zeylanica. Calyx-tube glabrous and membranous in the lower half, ribbed and hispid and with long bulbous-based hairs in the upper; corolla large, the lower lip twice as long as the upper, the midlobe obovate; whorls terminal and also sometimes in upper axils, dense, up to 1 in. in diam.; leaves linear- or oblong-lanceolate, obtuse, entire or crenate, pubescent, 

Mouth of the calyx-tube slightly oblique, the teeth subequal:— Whorls very large, terminal, globose, 1—2 in. in diam.; bracts foliaceous, imbricate, lanceolate, green, membranous, ciliate, 5-75 in. long; calyx tubular, 75 in. long, glabrous below, villous above; leaves ovate or ovate-lanceolate, obtuse, membranous, crenate, pubescent, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 Whorls small, under 1 in. in diam., mostly terminal; bracts stiff, linear, hispid and with few but prominent long bulbous-based bristles as on the calyx-tube:-

Calyx-teeth about 1 in. long or longer, subulate, the tube white-villous, ribbed and bristly near the mouth, often nearly glabrous below; leaves variable, linear or oblong, obtuse, hispid, up to 2 in. long, 5 or some-Calyx-teeth about 025 in. long, triangular, the tube curved, ribbed, hispid and bristly; leaves linear or linear-oblong, obtuse, up to 1.5 in. 

Mouth of the calyx straight:-

Calyx-teeth erect, rarely spreading, throat naked; whorls axillary:-

Whorls few-flowered, usually about 1-4 at any rate on each side; bracts

Calyx-teeth very short, 05 in. long, triangular, tube obconical, ribbed, 3 in. long, villous; leaves orbicular-ovate, obtuse, coarsely crenate, pubescent, 1 in. long, petiole to 5 in., slender......11. nepetaefolia. Calyx-teeth subulate, 1 in. long, ciliate, tube campanulate, ribbed, 2-25 in. long, villous, leaves variable, ovate or elliptic, obtuse or acute, rounded or cuneate at base, crenate-serrate, rarely over 1 in. long, 5 in. broad, the 

Whorls about 6- many-flowered, fewer on the branches than on main stems:-Hairs on the branches erect or spreading, not deflexed, whole plant densely white-silky tomentose except the upper surface of the mature leaves usually softly villous only; calyx-teeth very short, about .05 in., the tube .25-35 Hairs on the branches deflexed:-

Calyx-teeth short, under 1 in. long; bracts minute, linear.

Calyx-teeth subulate, about 05 in long, the tube campanulate, ribbed, softly white villous, slightly curved, 25—35 in long:—

Leaves thick, ovate, obtuse, rounded at base, crenate, nearly glabrous above, densely white velvety tomentose beneath, up to 1.5 in. long, Leaves rather thin, ovate or ovate-lanceolate, acute, cuneate at base, serrate, somewhat strigosely villous above, hoary-tomentose beneath, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, petiole sometimes to nearly 1 in. 15. mollissima.

Bracts subulate, '25 in. long, shortly hispid; calyx-tube cylindric, hispid on the ribs, the teeth unequal, up to '15 in. long; leaves triangular-ovate or -lanceolate, thin, acute, truncate rounded or almost cordate at base, coarsely crenate or serrate, pubescent, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad

Bracts narrowly lanceolate or spathulate, acuminate, '4 in. long, long-ciliate; calyx-tube campanulate, hispid on the ribs, the teeth subequal, up to 'l in. long; leaves ovate or orbicular, thin, usually obtuse, truncate at base, coarsely crenate, pubescent, I—1·5 in. in diam., petiole to '5 in. 18. pubescens.

Bracts filiform with long soft silky hairs, '5 in long; calyx tubular, softly silky, the teeth unequal, up to '15 in long, filiform; leaves thick, often tawny and rugose or bullate beneath when old, thinner and white-tomentose when younger, rounded or cordate at base, crenate, up to 2 in long, 1-5 in broad, petiole slender, '25—'5 in long.....19. marrubioides. Calyx-teeth erect and usually stellately spreading, throat villous; whorls chiefly terminal, but sometimes also in upper axils:—

Leaves quite entire:-

Leaves at most 1—1.5 in. long, narrow, obtuse, coriaceous, with revolute margins:—

Branches fulvous, calyx fulvous- or white-tomentose:—

Leaves linear, 5-1 in. long, 1-2 in. broad, white-tomentose beneath: Stems and leaves scaly and hispid with erect or spreading hairs; whorls 1-2 at the top of scapiform branches 6-10 in. long; bracts setaceous, villous, 125 in. long; calyx-teeth minute, about 025 in. long, the throat ring of hairs as long......20. suffruticosa. Stems and leaves closely appressed-villous; whorls usually 2 at the ends of slender subterminal internodes 1-2 in. long; bracts subulate, ·1 in. long; calyx-teeth minute, ·025 in. long, the throat ring of hairs Leaves linear-oblong, 1-2 in. long, 2-4 in. broad, white or tawny beneath; above fulvous-villous like the stems, with erect hairs; whorls many, crowded at the ends of the branches; bracts subulate, 25 in. long; calyx-teeth minute, 025 in. long, the throat ring of hairs long and dense......22. helianthemifolia. Branches greenish-grey, strigose with erect hairs; leaves linear, obtuse, 1—2 in. long, 1—15 in. broad, grey-villous beneath; whorls usually single, terminal or axillary on short peduncles; bracts linear-oblong, strigose, 2-3 in long; calyx-teeth triangular, 04 in long, shorter than Leaves up to 4 in. long, 1 in. broad, soft, chartaceous, lanceolate, scaberulous above, white-tomentose beneath, the margins very slightly revolute; whorls about 1 in. in diam., axillary to the 3-5 uppermost nodes; bracts linear, thick, ·4 in. long; calyx-teeth very small but longer than the ring of hairs 24. Ianceaefolia.

Leaves more or less serrate or crenate:-

Upper lip of corolla densely bearded with rufous hairs, villi of the calyx-throat white; whorls usually 1 or 2 terminal, large; bracts linear:—

Leaves lanceolate, acute, narrowed at base, crenate-serrate, tawny-villous, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, petiole short; calyx-teeth short...25. vestita. Leaves membranous, ovate, acute, narrowed at base, coarsely serrate, pubescent or glabrate, up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, petiole to 1 in.; calyx-teeth slender, spreading, ciliate, 1 in. long or longer.....26. ciliata. Upper lip of corolla densely bearded with white hairs; hairs of the stem and branches usually stiff, spreading or reflexed:—

Leaves thick, 3—5 in. long, ovate, acute, rounded or cordate at base,

crenate, tawny-villous above, softly whitish-tomentose beneath, 1.5-2.5 in. broad; whorls large, usually 1-2 terminal, 1 in. in diam.; bracts linearlanceolate, 4 in. long; calyx-teeth slender, 075 in. long, spreading

Leaves narrow, usually under 1 in. broad, subobtuse, distantly and

Leaves thin, linear-oblong, nearly glabrous, up to 4 in. long, shortly petioled; whorls several in upper axils, 75 in. in diam.; calyx-teeth recurved, very short, about 025 in. long; the tube much constricted in the middle; bracts filiform......30. stelligera. Leaves small, ovate, obtuse, rounded at base, crenate, tawny-hispid-pubescent, up to 1 in. long, 5 in. broad, the nerves about 4—5 pairs, not oblique, petiole to 3 in.; whorls single, terminal, 75 in. in diam.; bracts subulate, 3 in. long, ciliate; calyx-teeth stiff and with stiff hairs, 1 in. long, as long as the dense villi; the tube 25 in. long.......31. prostrata.

1. Leucas urticaefolia, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 680; Wt. Ic. t. 1451. Deccan and Carnatic, on dry waste lands, often on black-cotton soil, common about Coimbatore, also about Tadpatri in Anantapur.

A soft annual herb with white flowers, the nutlets trigonous

with the truncate top glandular.

2. Leucas martinicensis, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 688.

Deccan and Carnatic, Horsleykonda at 4,000 ft., Ramandrúg in Bellary at 3,000 ft., hills of Salem and Coimbatore Districts, doubtfully indigenous.

A large herb with angular stems and white flowers, the nutlets

trigonous with rounded back.

3. Leucas nutans, Spreng.; F. B. I. iv. 688. N. Circars, in Ganjam (Barker); Deccan, in Cuddapah (Gamble). A dwarf trailing herb, diffusely branched, with angular stems and white flowers.

4. Leucas linifolia, Spreng.; F. B. I. iv. 690. N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in pastures, waste lands and fallow fields, common. An erect herb with rather large white flowers.

5. Leucas Wightiana, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 690. Carnatic and S. Travancore, at Cape Comorin (Lawson). A small erect scabrid herb.

6. Leucas Zeylanica, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 689; Wt. Ill. t. 176. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore 3,000-7,000 ft.; Shevaroy Hills of Salem. A large erect pubescent or hispid herb with white flowers.

7. LEUCAS ASPERA, Spreng.; F. B. I. iv. 690. Most plains Districts, and up to 3,000 ft., in fields and on waste land and roadsides, common.

A coarse erect diffusely branched annual herb with white flowers, the stems hispid or scabrid.

8. Leucas Cephalotes, Spreng.; F. B. I. iv. 689; Wt. Ic. t. 337 (not good).

All plains Districts; a weed of cultivated land.

A stout coarse herb with large terminal many-bracted conspicuous heads of white flowers, the corollas with the lower lip not much longer than the white-bearded upper. Vern. *Hind*. Dhurpi Ság.

9. Leucas stricta, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 688.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, near the coast; Deccan, in the Ceded Districts, Mysore and Salem.

A small herb with 4-angled hispid slender stems and white flowers, the corollas with large obovate lower lip, much longer than the white-bearded upper.

10. LEUCAS DIFFUSA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 689.

E. Coast Districts, from the Godavari southwards, usually on sandy pastures near the sea; Shevaroy Hills (Perrottet). A small diffuse herb with trailing branches and rather large white flowers.

11. LEUCAS NEPETAEFOLIA, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 681.

Deccan, Hyderabad journey (Heyne); Guntur District, at Bellamkonda (Cleghorn).

A shrubby plant with hoary branchlets, the flowers white, the lower lip of the corolla hardly longer than the white-bearded upper.

12. LEUCAS BIFLORA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 683; Wt. Ic. t. 866.

Deccan and Carnatic and the lower E. slopes of the Gháts, southwards to S. Travancore; dry places on the W. Coast.

A slender procumbent softly pubescent herb, often straggling up and apparently climbing, the branches long, 4-angled, the flowers usually in pairs, corollas white.

Var. procumbens. L. procumbens, Desf.; F. B. I. iv. 683. Glabrous and with usually narrower leaves, shorter calyx-teeth and longer pedicels, but scarcely separable from the species.

Hills of S. Canara and Mysore.

13. Leucas lanata, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 681.

Hills of the Deccan and Carnatic, in dry places at low levels. N. slopes of Nilgiris, up to 3,000 ft.

An erect plant with many silky branches from a stout rootstock, the corollas rather large, white, with broad lower lip, longer than the white-bearded upper.

14. Leucas montana, Spreng.; F. B. I. iv. 682.

N. Circars, on Mahendragiri, 4,500 ft. (Gamble), hills of Vizagapatam; Deccan, Kambakam Drúg, Ramandrúg in Bellary, at 3,000 ft.; N. side of Nilgiris at 3,000 ft.

A straggling undershrub with white flowers.

Var. Wightii, Hook. f. Calyx funnel-shaped, nearly 5 in. long, upper surface of leaves strigose, whorls many-flowered. Locality doubtful (Hb. Wight).

LEUCAS MOLLISSIMA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 682.

Var. scaberula, Hook. f.

N. Circars, forests of Ganjam and Vizagapatam; Rampa and Bison Hills of Godavari, to 2,000 ft.; hills of Mysore (Meebold). A straggling slenderly branched herb, sometimes climbing among bushes, the flowers white. Young leaves are often very silky, but the tomentum disappears as they get older and larger.

16. Leucas Chinensis, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 681. W. Gháts, hills of Malabar, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, at

3,000-4,000 ft. or higher. A somewhat shrubby straggling plant very variable in thickness of leaf and clothing, probably according to light and shade, the corollas white with the lower lip rather longer than the upper. The calyx-tube is villous on the upper half within but is not fringed at the mouth.

17. Leucas angularis, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 684. L. marrubioides, var.

pulneyensis, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 684.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests at 3,000-5,000 ft. and perhaps higher. A herbaceous plant with long straggling branches and rather

large white flowers.

18. LEUCAS PUBESCENS, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 684.

Without locality (Wight); Nilgiris, at 5,000 ft. (Clarke)? An erect herb with characteristic round broadly crenate leaves and white flowers.

19. LEUCAS MARRUBIOIDES, Desf.; F. B. I. iv. 683. W. Gháts, hills of Mysore and N. Coimbatore, Nilgiris, at 3,000-7,000 ft., less common in Pulneys (Wight). A stout straggling herb, the flowers white and large in very white-silky whorls with rather long internodes, the old leaves

with the nerves impressed.

20. Leucas suffruticosa, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 685; Wt. Ic. t. 1454. W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, on the downs at and about 7,000 ft. A low undershrub with many slender stems from a thick woody rootstock, the corolla white, the upper lip prominently white-bearded.

21. Leucas Ternifolia, Desf. L. helianthemifolia, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 685 in part.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at high levels, above 6,000 ft.

An undershrub with conspicuous smooth golden pubescence, having many slender branches from a stout rootstock. The whorls resemble those of the last species but they have not the long peduncle-like internodes.

22. Leucas helianthemifolia, Desf.; F. B. I. iv. 685 in part. L.

ternifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1453, not of Desf. W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, at 5,000-7,000 ft., Pulneys scarce.

A small shrub, with very white or tawny wool on the inflorescence, only the upper surface of the leaves green. The corollas are white and the white wool of the upper lip very thick. The leaves are usually ternate or, as Wight says, ternate below, opposite above.

23. Leucas Rosmarinifolia, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 685; Wt. Ic. t. 1455. W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft., often on roadsides. A grey-green rather compact small shrub with the narrow leaves fascicled, many together, at the nodes. Flowers white in very silky whorls with rather large bracts.

24. Leucas lanceaefolia, Desf.; F. B. I. iv. 685; Wt. Ic. t. 1452.
W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., more or less gregarious on the margins of Shola woods.
A shrub, reaching 6—8 ft., and very bushy. Flowers white, rather small. Bark thin, grey; wood light brown. Some of the Pulney specimens show very faint shallow crenatures to the leaves.

25. Leucas vestita, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 686; Wt. Ic. t. 338.
S. E. Wynaad (Lawson); Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at low levels.
A tall tawny-villous soft herb with white lower lip to the corolla, the rufous upper lip characteristic.

26. Leucas Chiata, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 687.
W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara, Coorg, Mysore, to the S. E. Wynaad at 3,000 ft.
A straggling aromatic loosely branched herb, the corolla with upper lip clothed with yellowish-brown hairs (Cooke), the whorls very scabrous hispid.

27. Leucas Lamifolia, Desf.; F. B. I. iv. 686.
W. Gháts, Nilgiris, at 6,000 ft.; common in "Old Forest,"
Coonoor.

A large straggling herb with tawny villous stem and leaves.

28. Leucas hirta, Spr.; F. B. I. iv. 687.

Deccan, in hilly country, up to 4,000 ft. on Horsleykonda; W. Gháts, in all Districts from S. Canara to Tinnevelly.

A sub-shrubby branching herb from a stout rootstock, the leaves and stems variable in pubescence.

Var. Beddomei, Hook. f. Softly villous with spreading hairs the whorls more numerous, the villi of the calyx-mouth fewer and shorter. The hairs on the corolla upper lip seem to have a brown tinge.

Hills of S. Canara and Wynaad at 5,000-6,000 ft. (Beddome).

Leucas eriostoma, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 686.
 W. Gháts, in S. Canara (Barber), Wynaad (Heyne, de Montholon), Brumagiri Hills, 4,000—5,000 ft. (Fischer).
 An undershrub with long narrow leaves, probably not very distinct from L. hirta, Spr.

Var. latifolia, Hook. f. Stouter and with many and larger whorls, the leaves broader. Nilgiri or Coorg (G. Thomson).

Var. lanata, Hook. f. Branches and inflorescence clothed with long soft white spreading hairs, the whorls smaller.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore, also Nilgiris (Wight, Meebold). 30. Leucas stelligera, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 686. L. eriostoma, var. longifolia, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 686. W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara and Mysore to Nilgiris, up to 3.000 ft.

An erect branching herb with usually simply pubescent stems, sometimes with long spreading hairs.

31. LEUCAS PROSTRATA, Gamble n. comb. L. hirta, Spr., var. prostrata, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 687.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, above 5,000 ft., Anamalais (Beddome);

Shevaroy Hills.

A low herb, with many hispid prostrate branches from a knotty rootstock, often rooting at the nodes, the scapes sometimes long and slender.

#### 22. Leonotis, R. Br.

Herbs or shrubs, stems 4-gonous. Leaves opposite; floral leaves similar but smaller. Flowers large, scarlet or yellow, in axillary dense many-flowered whorls; bracts numerous, slender. Calyx 10-ribbed, tubular, the tube often incurved; mouth oblique with 8—10 rigid teeth, the upper tooth the largest. Corolla 2-lipped, the upper lip long, concave, with a villous crown, the lower lip small, 3-lobed, the midlobe largest. Stamens 4, didynamous, the lower pair longer, ascending; anthers connivent, the cells divaricate. Disk equal. Ovary 4-partite; style subulate, the upper lobe very short. Fruit of 4 oblong ovoid or obovoid, triquetrous, obtuse or truncate, dry nutlets, the basal scar small.

Leonotis nepetaefolia, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 691; Wt. Ic. t. 867.

Most plains Districts, on roadsides and in waste places, chiefly near villages, often cultivated, doubtfully indigenous. A tall herb reaching 6 ft. high with obtusely 4-angled stems, long internodes and spinous whorls of orange-scarlet flowers, the upper lip densely woolly.

L. Leonurus, R. Br., is sometimes found in gardens and is easily recognized by the very long orange-scarlet handsome corolla. It is

native of S. Africa.

## 23. Salvia, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs of various habits. Flowers small or large and showy, whorls usually racemose or spicate; bracts small or large and often coloured. Calyx tubular or campanulate, 2-lipped, throat naked; upper lip entire or 3-lobed, lower 2-fid. Corolla 2-lipped; tube naked or with a ring of hairs inside; upper lip erect, entire; lower 3-lobed, the lateral lobes spreading. Stamens 2 (the lower pair) perfect, the upper pair reduced to staminodes or obsolete; filaments short, articulate with the slender connective, sometimes produced

beyond the joint; anthers dimidiate, connective linear, transverse, the posterior arm ascending and bearing a linear fertile cell, the anterior arm straight or deflexed, with a fertile or empty cell or naked. Disk usually enlarged in front. Ovary 4-partite; style shortly bifid, the lobes equal or the anterior longer. Fruit of 4 ovoid-triangular dry smooth nutlets, the basal scar small.

SALVIA PLEBEIA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 655.

Most plains Districts, a weed of roadsides and waste land.

An erect pubescent herb with very small lilac or white flowers in whorls in panicles of slender racemes especially in fruit when the calyx is much enlarged. Leaves petioled, oblong-lanceolate or -spathulate, crenate, 2—5 in. long. Nutlets mucilaginous when wetted.

Salvia officinalis, Linn., is the Sage plant occasionally cultivated in gardens. Several species are also cultivated in gardens for their

showy flowers.

#### 24. Gomphostemma, Wall.

Herbs or undershrubs, stellately pubescent or tomentose, the roots often bearing tubers. Leaves opposite, large, entire or dentate or crenate, floral leaves similar or bract-like. Flowers rather large, usually yellow, in short cymes forming whorls which are axillary or in dense terminal spikes; bracts many, usually linear. Calyx campanulate, equally 5-lobed, 10-ribbed. Corolla 2-lipped; tube slender, the throat more or less dilated; upper lip hooded, lower broadly 3-lobed, the lobes spreading. Stamens 4, didynamous, ascending, the lower pair the longer; anthers approximate in pairs, 2-celled, the cells parallel. Disk uniform or slightly swollen. Ovary 4-partite, style slender, 2-fid, the lobes subulate, nearly equal. Fruit of 4, or, by reduction, 3—4 glabrous or pubescent, corky or fleshy nutlets, the basal scar broad.

Gomphostemma Heyneanum, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 1456;
 Prain, Ann. Calc. iii. t. 79. G. strobilinum, Wall., var. Heyneana,
 Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 696.

W. Gháts, S. E. Wynaad at 3,000 ft. (Lawson), Anamalai Hills at 3,000 ft. (Gamble), evergreen forests of Travancore (K. Venkoba Row), hills of Tinnevelly.

A tall shrubby herbaceous plant, covered with stellate hairs, the flowers yellow (Lawson, Gamble), blue with purple tinge (Wight), the nutlets glabrous.

Var. Rottleri, Prain, Ann. Calc. iii. t. 80. Leaves crenate, the

upper surface less hirsute, the stems furrowed.

W. Gháts, Mudumalai forest at 2,000 ft. (Gamble), Anamalai Hills (Barber), hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly (Rottler, Wight).

2. Gomphostemma parviflorum, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 697;

Prain, Ann. Calc. iii. t. 87 (var. farinosa).

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam at 3,000 ft. (Barber), Rangalu in Vizagapatam at 3,400 ft. (A. W. Lushington).

An erect large herb, softly stellate tomentose, the flowers yellow.

3. Gomphostemma eriocarpon, Benth.; F. B. I. iv. 698; Prain, Ann. Calc. iii. t. 90. G. oblongum, Wt. Ic. t. 1457, not of Wall.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, at about 2,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A slender erect herbaceous plant with simple or stellate hairs, the flowers yellow, the nutlets tomentose.

#### 25. Teucrium, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves opposite, entire serrate or lobed, floral leaves often bract-like. Flowers usually small, in whorls of 2—6, in axillary or terminal spikes, racemes or heads. Calyx 2-lipped, 10-ribbed; teeth 5, the uppermost usually largest. Corolla-tube not annulate; limb 1-lipped, the 2 upper and the lateral lobes short or even obsolete, the end lobe large. Stamens 4, didynamous, the lower pair longest, all exserted; anthers reniform, the cells short, at length confluent. Disk equal. Ovary 4-lobed; style bifid, the lobes subequal. Fruit of 4 obovoid rugosely reticulate nutlets, the scar oblique or lateral, large.

Inflorescence densely villous with tawny often glandular hairs, the racemes in close panicles; bracts lanceolate; upper and side lobes of corolla-lip short and rounded:—

Inflorescence with few glandular hairs, glabrescent, the racemes in slender leafy panicles; bracts linear-lanceolate; upper lobes of corolla lip curved acuminate, side lobes acute; leaves thin, ovate, acute, rounded or cordate at base and then often acutely decurrent, sharply serrate, nearly glabrous above, minutely puberulous beneath, up to 2 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, petiole slender, 5—75 in. long

3. plectranthoides.

1. TEUCRIUM TOMENTOSUM, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 700.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to about 5,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore; Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly.

An erect copiously flowering herb reaching 3 ft. in height, the flowers apparently yellowish (Benth.), the nutlets globose, granulate.

2. TEUCRIUM WIGHTH. Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 701. T. tomentosum, Wt.

Ic. t. 1458, not of Heyne.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills about Doddabetta at 7,000—8,000 ft.,

in dry rocky places. A thick stout herb with short branches and pale purple flowers (Fyson).

3. TEUCRIUM PLECTRANTHOIDES, Gamble in Kew Bull., 1924, ined. W. Gháts, near Sengalteri, Tinnevelly (Hb. Madr.).

A slender erect herb with 4-angled stems, almost glabrous and with the flowers in spreading panicles of open racemes, the corolla rather large.

## 26. Ajuga, Linn.

Herbs, often decumbent or stoloniferous. Leaves opposite, usually coarsely toothed, floral leaves subsimilar. Flowers sessile in 2- or more-flowered whorls, axillary or in terminal leafy spikes. Calyx 5-lobed, lobes subequal. Corolla 2-lipped; tube often annulate within, straight or dilated and curved; upper lip short, 2-fid, lower lip spreading, the mid-lobe largest. Stamens 4, didynamous, ascending, the lower pair longest, exserted or included; anthers 2-celled, the cells divaricate, at length confluent. Disk uniform or swollen behind. Ovary 4-lobed; style slender, 2-fid, the stigmatic lobes nearly equal. Fruit of 4 obovoid rugosely reticulate nutlets, the scar lateral, large.

AJUGA MACROSPERMA, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 704.

N. Circars, in Ganjam, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri (Beddome,

Gamble, Barber).

A decumbent villous herb with blue flowers, the leaves soft, ovate or ovate-oblong, coarsely dentate, up to 4 in. long, 2 in.

Nepeta ruderalis, Ham., is an aromatic herb believed to be occasionally found on roadside and waste lands in Northern Districts,

though actual Madras specimens have not been examined.

Meriandra bengalensis, Benth., is the Bengal Sage, a pretty though straggling shrub with leaves like those of the cultivated sage (Salvia officinalis, Linn.) but strongly smelling of camphor. It is often cultivated and frequently found run wild. Its home is Abyssinia.

## Family CXVI. PLANTAGINACEAE.

Scapigerous herbs. Leaves usually radical. Flowers small, greenish, spicate, often dimorphic, bracteate. Sepals 4, imbricate in bud, persistent. Corolla hypogynous, scarious, salver-shaped; lobes 4. short, imbricate in bud. Stamens 4, inserted on the corolla-tube; filaments capillary, persistent; anthers large, pendulous, versatile. Ovary superior, 1-4-celled; ovules 1 or more in each cell; style filiform with 2 lines of stigmatic hairs. Fruit a small membranous capsule, 1-4-celled,

dehiscence circumscissile. Seeds usually peltate, attached by the centre; testa thin, mucilaginous; albumen fleshy; embryo cylindric, transverse; radicle inferior.

## Plantago, Linn.

## Characters of the Family.

PLANTAGO ASIATICA, Linn.; Wt. Ill. t. 177. P. major, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 705 in part.

Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at high levels, in waste places and by

roadsides. Plantain.

A perennial herb with erect stout rootstock and radical leaves, these are ovate, entire or more usual coarsely dentate or lobed, 3—5-ribbed, long-petioled, the flowers in long spikes with rather large bracts, the capsules many-seeded. It differs somewhat from the common European weed P. major, Linn.

P. lanceolata, Linn., the Ribwort Plantain, is occasionally found in the Nilgiris, probably introduced, as suggested by Trimen for Ceylon, with British grass-seed.



## **FLORA**

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It is with great regret that I have to record the death of Mr. J. S. Gamble on October 16th. Mr. Gamble had corrected all the proofs and had seen the final revises of all but the last two sheets through the press before his death.

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## FLORA OF MADRAS.

#### IV. MONOCHLAMYDEAE.

Sepals distinct, herbaceous, rarely petaloid, imbricate or valvate, or connate in a tube with imbricate or valvate lobes. Petals usually 0, very rarely 1-seriate and like the sepals, more rarely 1-seriate and truly coralline, inserted on the disk or adnate to the ovary. Torus small, or raised and stalk-like. Stamens few, rarely numerous, inserted on the torus or rarely on the base of the perianth. Carpels 1 or more, free or connate.

#### Family CXVII. NYCTAGINACEAE.

Herbs, shrubs or trees. Leaves usually opposite, entire; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, rarely unisexual, regular, sometimes dimorphous; inflorescence various, the flowers often involucrate. Perianth monophyllous, petaloid, usually small; tube persistent, campanulate funnel-shaped or salver-shaped, enveloping the fruit; limb 3—5-lobed, persistent or deciduous, the lobes plicate in bud. Stamens 1—30, hypogynous, sometimes unilateral; filaments usually unequal, inflexed in bud; anthers included or exserted, dorsifixed, didymous. Ovary free, 1-celled; style filiform, involute in bud; stigma small; ovule solitary, basal, erect. Fruit indehiscent, enclosed in the hardened perianth-tube. Seed erect; testa thin, adherent; albumen soft or floury; embryo curved or straight and with folded cotyledons; radicle inferior.

Erect or diffuse herbs; embryo-hooked, the radicle long; limb of perianth funnel-shaped, 5-lobed on the margin, the lobes plicate; flowers paniculate or umbellate 1. Boerhaavia.

## 1. Boerhaavia, Linn.

Erect or diffuse herbs, often divaricately branched. Leaves opposite, often in unequal pairs. Flowers small, in panicles umbels or heads, articulated with the pedicels; bracteoles small, often deciduous, rarely involucrate. Perianth-tube long or short, ovoid below, narrowed above the ovary; limb funnel-shaped or campanulate, 5-lobed. Stamens 1—5, connate below around the ovary, exserted; filaments capillary, unequal; anthers didymous. Ovary oblique, stipitate; ovule erect; stigma peltate. Fruit small, enclosed in the ovoid turbinate or clavate, truncate, ribbed or angled, viscidly glandular perianth-tube. Seed with adherent testa; embryo hooked; cotyledons thin, broad, the outer the larger, enclosing the soft floury albumen; radicle long.

Fruit glandular on the ribs, not at the crown:-

Flowers sessile or very nearly so, in panicles of subcapitate umbels with lanceolate minute bracteoles; perianth very short, urceolate; fruit clavate, 5-ribbed, viscidly

glandular:-

Leaves thick, in unequal pairs, ovate oblong or suborbicular, acute or obtuse, rounded or subcordate at base, glabrous above, white beneath, somewhat undulate on the margin, up to 2 in. long, 1.25 in. broad, petiole slender, up Leaves coriaceous, in equal or unequal pairs, ovate or ovate-oblong, obtuse, rounded at base, scabrid on both surfaces, crispate-undulate on the margins, up to 1 in. long, 75 in. broad, petiole up to 25 in. long, nerves 5-6 pairs, Flowers on capillary pedicels in umbels with linear lanceolate bracteoles; perianth 25 in long with slender tube and funnel-shaped limb; fruit clavate with large glands; leaves thick, triangular-ovate, acute, rounded or cordate at Fruit with large stalked globose glands on the crown, clavate; flowers in longpedunculate racemes, in few-flowered whorls on a slender rhachis; pedicels filiform, perianth-tube slender, limb funnel-shaped; leaves thick, broadly ovate or suborbicular, obtuse, mucronate, cordate at base, glabrous, the margins sinuate, up to 

1. Boerhaavia diffusa, Linn. B. repens, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 709.

B. procumbens, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 874.

All plains Districts, also to some height in the hills, a weed of

waste lands and road-sides.

A diffuse herb with stout rootstock and many erect or procumbent branches, the flowers red, the fruit very viscid, easily detached and so adherent to clothes or the fur of animals. It is very variable according to soil and climate.

2. Boerhaavia crispa, Heyne in Wall. Cat. 6771; F. B. I. iv. 709.

Deccan, in dry Districts (Heyne).

A stout very scabrid herb, with long peduncles.

3. Boerhaavia Répanda, Willd.; F. B. I. iv. 709; Wt. Ic. t. 1766. Deccan, in dry Districts. A diffuse herb with pink flowers, often found climbing among bushes, the fruit with conspicuous viscid glands.

4. Boerhaavia verticillata, Poir.; F. B. I. iv. 710. B. stellata, Wt.

Ic. t. 875.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry Districts, often on black cotton soil. A diffuse herb with long branches, white flowers and a fruit with curious glands round the top.

## 2. Pisonia, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, unarmed or with axillary spines. Leaves opposite or alternate, entire. Flowers small, usually dioecious, in paniculate, subsessile or pedunculate cymes, bract and bracteoles small. Male flowers: perianth campanulate, the limb 5-lobed, the lobes induplicatevalvate; stamens 6-10, exserted, filaments connate below in a tube or ring, anthers oblong or didymous. Female flowers: perianth tubular, usually enlarged at base; ovary sessile, elongate, style included or exserted; stigma capitellate, peltate or fimbriate. Fruit enclosed in the coriaceous, oblong linear or clavate, perianth-base, compressed or 5-angled, usually with rows of viscid stipitate glands; utricle membranous. Seed with a hyaline testa adnate to the pericarp, embryo straight; albumen soft, enclosed in the cotyledons, radicle inferior.

PISONIA ACULEATA, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 711; Wt. Ic. tt. 1763—64.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, on the Coast, in forest lands, hedges and bushes, common, less so southwards as at Striharikota. Occasionally found inland, as in Anamalais, at 1,200 ft. (Fischer). A large thorny climbing shrub with opposite coriaceous elliptic or ovate leaves up to 3 in. long, the flowers in dense corymbose cymes, greenish-white. Wood of peculiar and interesting structure. The plant makes a good hedge, green or dry. Inland specimens are sometimes without thorns. Vern. Ur. Hati-ankusa.

P. morindifolia, R. Br.; Wt. Ic. t. 1765, is the Tree Lettuce, a small tree of the beach forests of the Andaman Islands, frequently found in gardens in Madras and other places near the sea on both coasts and

noticeable for its very pale green leaves.

Mirabilis Jalapa, Linn., the Marvel of Peru, is a large herbaceous plant with showy flowers of various colours, crimson yellow white or

striped, frequently grown in gardens and often seen run wild.

Bougainvillaea spectabilis, Willd., and B. glabra, Chois., are large thorny climbing Brazilian shrubs very common in gardens. They have small pale yellow flowers with large and conspicuous magenta or purple bracts. A variety (B. lateritia) has the bracts brick-red and the leaves nearly tomentose.

#### Family CXVIII. AMARANTACEAE.

Herbs, rarely shrubs, erect or climbing. Leaves opposite or alternate; stipules 0. Flowers usually hermaphrodite, rarely polygamous or dioecious, small, usually in terminal and axillary, simple or panicled, spikes cymes or clusters; bracts hyaline or scarious; bracteoles 2, scarious. Perianth dry, calycine, persistent, usually of 5 free or slightly connate hyaline or scarious imbricate segments. Stamens 1-5, opposite the perianth segments; filaments free or connate below in a membranous hypogynous cup, often alternating with membranous staminodes; anthers dorsifixed, 1- or 2-celled. Ovary 1-celled, ovoid ellipsoid or globose; ovules 1 or more, amphitropous, erect or suspended from basal funicles; style sometimes simple with capitellate stigma, sometimes 2-3-fid with acute stigmas or styles 2 or 3 papillosely stigmatic on the lower face. Fruit a membranous utricle, rarely a berry or a capsule, breaking irregularly or circumscissly. Seed erect or inverted, orbicular ovate or reniform, compressed; testa crustaceous; tegmen, if present, membranous; embryo horseshoe-shaped or annular, surrounding a floury albumen.

Anthers 2-celled: — Leaves alternate: —

Flowers hermaphrodite:-

Flowers unisexual; fruit an indehiscent or circumscissile utricle  5. Amarantus.  Leaves opposite; ovule and seed solitary, suspended from a basal funicle:  Flowers clustered, 1—3 perfect surrounded by others imperfect with hooked bristles or awns:  6. Crathula
Staminodes 0
Flowers all perfect:—
Staminodes 0:-
Perianth-segments ribbed; stamens 5:—  Flower-spikes axillary
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#### 1. Celosia, Linn.

Herbs, usually annual, the stems sometimes woody below. Leaves alternate. Flowers hermaphrodite, in terminal or axillary, often dense, often interrupted spikes, sessile or shortly pedicelled, white or coloured; bracts and bracteoles scarious, shining. Perianth-lobes 5, calycine, slightly connate below, scarious, oblong or lanceolate. Stamens 5; filaments slender, connate below in a membranous hypogynous cup; anthers 2-celled. Ovary 1-celled, ovoid or subglobose; ovules 2 or more on long funicles from the base of the ovary; style 0 or short or long, sometimes elongating in fruit; stigma simple. Fruit a utricle dehiscing in circumscissile fashion near the middle, membranous or sometimes corky or coriaceous. Seeds 2 or more, erect, lenticular; testa crustaceous, black, often shining; embryo annular, surrounding the floury albumen; cotyledons linear.

1. Celosia argentea, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 714; Wt. Ic. t. 1767.

All plains Districts, chiefly on cultivated land or among grasses, up to 4,000 ft. in the hills, common but not really indigenous.

An erect glabrous annual up to 3 ft. high, the long shining flower-heads conspicuous.

Celosia Pulchella, Moq.; F. B. I. iv. 715; Wt. Ic. t. 1768.
 Deccan, Horsleykonda in Chittoor, 4,000 ft. (Gamble); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 3,000—6,000 ft.
 A slender diffuse herb, the branches glabrous.

3. Celosia polygonoides, Retz.; F. B. I. iv. 715.

Deccan and Carnatic, on sandy soils.

A diffuse herb with many branches from a stout rootstock.

C. cristata, Linn., the Cockscomb plant, commonly cultivated in gardens and sometimes found as an escape, is easily recognized by the curious monstrous fasciated growth of its inflorescence, which may be red or yellow usually. It is very closely allied to C. argentea, and may be a variety of that species.

#### 2. Banalia, Moq.

An erect glabrous branching herb. Leaves alternate, membranous. Flowers hermaphrodite, in clusters in axillary or terminal spikes, usually forming pale chaffy thyrsoid panicles; bracts hyaline, also the 2 bracteoles. Perianth-segments 5, calycine, oblong, scarious, membranous, 3-nerved. Stamens 5, the filaments united below in a cup; anthers 2-celled. Ovary ovoid, compressed; style erect; stigmas 2, recurved, papillose; ovule 1, pendulous on a slender funicle. Fruit a subglobose, indehiscent utricle. Seed orbicular, the testa black, crustaceous.

Banalia thyrsiflora, Moq.; F. B. I. iv. 716; Wt. Ic. t. 1774. W. Gháts, from Wynaad southwards, at 2,000—6,000 ft.

A slender tall herb with conspicuous white or cream-coloured thyrsoid panicles; leaves rhomboid-ovate or ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad.

#### 3. Allmania, R. Br.

Erect or diffuse herbs. Leaves alternate, entire. Flowers hermaphrodite; in small dichasia, usually of 3, the centre one sessile with 1 or no bracteoles, the side ones pedicellate with 1 bract and 2 bracteoles; these dichasia are collected in terminal or axillary globose or oblong heads; bracts and bracteoles narrow, scarious, usually hispid, with filiform tips. Perianth calycine, of 5 nearly free oblong lanceolate scarious lobes. Stamens 5, the filaments connate in a membranous hypogynous cup, anthers 2-celled. Ovary ovoid, narrowed in a straight style; ovule 1, erect; stigma 2-lobed. Fruit a subglobose or ovoid membranous utricle, circumscissly dehiscent. Seed erect, subglobose, in a cup-shaped arillus; testa black, shining, crustaceous; embryo annular, surrounding copious albumen; cotyledons linear; radicle inferior.

2. longepedunculata.

1. Allmania nodiflora, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 716 (var. Roxburghii, Hook. f.).

Circars and Carnatic, in coast Districts.

A straggling many-branched herb with stout root-stock and obovate spathulate apiculate leaves, the flower-heads usually '5 in. in diam. Closely allied and often difficult to distinguish are the following varieties, established in the 'F. B. I.'

Var. procumbens, Hook. f. Chamissoa nodiflora, Wt. Ic. t. 1770, prostrate with long prostrate branches, small, variable, linear to orbicular

leaves and small flower-heads. Coast of the Carnatic, on sand.

Var. aspera, Hook. f. Chamissoa aspera, Wt. Ic. t. 1772, erect but diffuse and hispidly hairy, the leaves linear-oblong or lanceolate, the flower-heads larger, often .75 in. in diam. Deccan Districts, west to the E. slopes of the Gháts, less common in Circars or Carnatic, in fields. Var. dichotoma, Hook. f. Chamissoa dichotoma, Moq.; Wt. Ic. t.

1771, erect dichotomous and nearly glabrous with elliptic or ovate apicu-

late leaves. Carnatic, from Salem and Nellore southwards.

Var. angustifolia, Hook. f. Erect, sometimes tall and slender, with linear or linear-oblong leaves often up to 3 in. long, and rather large sometimes peduncled flower-heads. N. Circars, Deccan, Carnatic and E. slopes of the W. Gháts up to 6,000 ft.

2. Allmania longepedunculata, Gamble n. comb. A. nodiflora, R. Br., var. longepedunculata, Trimen. A. albida, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv.

717. Chamissoa albida, Wt. Ic. t. 1769.

Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, but chiefly near the coast. A tall erect herbaceous plant with pale (even when dry) leaves and white flower-heads often with rather long peduncles.

## 4. Digera, Forsk.

An annual herb. Leaves alternate, entire, perioled. Flowers hermaphrodite, in axillary peduncled spikes, ternate, the 2 outer reduced to crested scales, the central perfect; bracts and bracteoles persistent. Perianth calycine, submembranous; segments 5, oblong, erect, the 2 outer larger. Stamens 5, hypogynous; filaments free, filiform; anthers 2-celled. Ovary 1-celled, compressed truncate; style filiform; stigmas 2, short, recurved. Fruit a subglobose, crustaceous, rugose nut enclosed in the perianth. Seed globose, erect; testa thin, adhering to the albumen; embryo annular; cotyledons linear.

DIGERA ARVENSIS, Forsk.; F. B. I. iv. 717. Desmochoeta muricata,

DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 732.

Deccan and Carnatic, a weed of roadsides and waste places. A slender herb with prostrate branches, the leaves variable, ovate elliptic or lanceolate, acute or obtuse, up to 3 in. long and nearly 2 in. broad, the petioles slender, often 1 in. long.

## 5. Amarantus, Linn.

Erect or decumbent annual herbs. Leaves alternate. Flowers small, monoecious, in axillary clusters or dense terminal thyrsoid panicles; bracts herbaceous, often persistent; bracteoles 2. Perianth calycine, of 2-5 membranous lobes, the of usually ovate-lanceolate, awned, the Q oblong or obovate, usually mucronate and often smaller. Stamens 2-5, as many as the perianth-lobes; filaments free; anthers 2-celled. Ovary ovoid, compressed, 1-celled; ovule solitary, erect; styles short or 0; stigmas 2—3. Fruit an orbicular or ovoid compressed utricle, membranous and usually circumscissile, or coriaceous and indehiscent. Seed erect, orbicular, compressed; testa crustaceous; embryo annular, enclosing the floury albumen; cotyledons linear; radicle inferior.

Bracteoles awned or setaceous, equalling or exceeding the perianth-lobes; utricle dehiscent, circumscissile:—

Stamens and perianth-lobes 5 each:-

Leaf-axils with spines; leaves ovate or oblong, obtuse; bracts bristle-tipped; flower-clusters in dense or lax panicles, the axils often with spines

Leaf-axils not spinous; leaves elliptic or ovate-lanceolate; bracts acicular; flowers in thyrses:—

Stamens and perianth-lobes 3 each:—

Erect plants, the flowers clustered in lower axils and also gradually joined in a long terminal spiciform panicle; leaves large but variable, long-petioled;

perianth-lobes awned:-

stamens and perianth-lobes 3 each:-

1. Amarantus spinosus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 718; Wt. Ic. t. 513.

All plains Districts, in waste places, fields and gardens and on roadsides; a common and troublesome weed.

An erect spinous herb with hard often reddish stems. The

leaves are sometimes eaten as spinach. Vern. Hind. Kanta nutiya; Tam. Mulluk kirai.

2. Amarantus paniculatus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 718. A. frumentaceus, Buch.-Ham.; Wt. Ic. t. 720.

Deccan and other hilly regions, cultivated and run wild.

A tall annual herb grown for its seeds, which may be white red or black; the leaves give a good spinach though difficult to pick. Vern. Tam. Púngi kirai.

3. Amarantus caudatus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 719.

Hills of Deccan and W. Gháts, cultivated only, chiefly in gardens, perhaps also sometimes found run wild. Lovelies-bleeding.

A tall herb with long heavy drooping thyrses of crimson flowers.

4. Amarantus gangeticus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 719. A. oleraceus, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 715.

Most plains Districts, cultivated and run wild.

An erect leafy herb, grown as a spinach (ság). Vern. Hind. Lal ság.

Var. tristis, Prain. A. tristis, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 713.

Many branches from near the base and more frequently cut and used. Cultivated.

5. Amarantus Caturus, Heyne; F. B. I. iv. 720.

Deccan, without locality (Heyne).

An erect well-marked plant with thin leaves and long very slender flower-spikes. The utricle may perhaps not be dehiscent circumscissly; it has an elongated neck and slender plumose styles.

6. Amarantus mangostanus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 720. Deccan and Carnatic, in most Districts, a weed of roadsides and waste lands, not common.

A diffusely-branched slender herb.

7. Amarantus viridis, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 720. A. fasciatus, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 717. Euxolus caudatus, Moq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1773. All plains Districts, a weed of waste places and cultivated land.

An erect glabrous annual, the leaves much used as spinach. 8. Amarantus polygamus, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 721. A. polygonoides,

Roxb.; Wt. Ic. tt. 512, 719.

All plains Districts, a common weed of waste or cultivated land. A small annual usually prostrate herb, the leaves often collected and used as spinach.

## 6. Cyathula, Lour.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, petioled, entire. Flowers small, hermaphrodite, in large or small, bracteate and bracteolate, fascicles with 1-2 perfect flowers and others imperfect, the fascicles in heads, racemes or spikes. Perianth of perfect flowers calycine, scarious, 5-lobed, the lobes acuminate or with hooked awns; of imperfect flowers reduced to hooked rigid awns. Stamens 5, the filaments connate below in a hypogynous membranous cup, with intervening lacerate or 2—3-fid staminodes; anthers 2-celled. Ovary obovoid, 1-celled; ovule solitary, pendulous from a long basal funicle; style simple, filiform; stigma capitellate. Fruit an ovoid membranous utricle enclosed in the perianth, its apex areolate. Seed oblong, inverse; testa coriaceous; embryo annular; cotyledons linear, flat; radicle erect.

CYATHULA PROSTRATA, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 722. Desmochoeta pros-

trata, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 733.

Deccan, in Mysore and the Ceded Districts to Coimbatore, up to 3,000 ft.; W. Coast and W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, up to 3,000 ft.

A slender herb, prostrate below and rooting at the nodes, the branches ascending, ending in slender racemes of fascicles of pale violet flowers, the leaves rhomboid or ovate, subacute, up to 2.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad.

## 7. Pupalia, Juss.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, entire, petioled. Flowers green, hermaphrodite, fascicled in clusters with 1-2 perfect flowers. the rest imperfect, the clusters rather distant in simple or panicled spikes; bracts and bracteoles scarious, awned. *Perianth* of perfect flowers calycine, of 5 nearly equal lanceolate acuminate 3—5-nerved lobes, of imperfect flowers reduced to stellately spreading hooked bristles. *Stamens* 5; filaments slender, subulate, shortly combined at the base; anthers 2-celled; staminodes 0. *Ovary* ovoid, 1-celled; ovule 1, pendulous from a long basal funicle; style simple; stigma capitate. *Fruit* an ovoid membranous utricle, enclosed in the perianth, the top areolate. *Seed* inverse, lenticular, rostellate; testa thinly crustaceous; tegmen membranous; embryo annular; cotyledons linear, flat; radicle ascending.

Leaves ovate or elliptic, up to 4 in. long:-

1. Pupalia atropurpurea, Moq.; F. B. I. iv. 723. Desmochaeta atropurpurea, DC.; Wt. Ic. t. 731.

N. Circars, common; Deccan, in Coimbatore and to the E.

slopes of the Gháts, less so.

A slender herb with long branches, the flower-clusters with loose brownish wool.

2. Pupalia Lappacea, Moq.; F. B. I. iv. 724.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, westwards to the E. slopes of the Gháts.

A large straggling undershrub, the flower-clusters very white woolly.

Var. velutina, Hook. f. Densely nearly white-tomentose or velvety, the leaves smaller and usually orbicular—without locality (Wight).

3. Pupalia orbiculata, Wt. Ic. t. 1783; F. B. I. iv. 724.

Coromandel Coast, especially near Madras, a sand-binding plant (see H. Cleghorn in 'Madr. Journ.,' i.) of the sea beach. An extensively spreading prostrate plant from a stout woody rootstock, the hooked bristles finally becoming as it were pinnate, the wool loose and white.

## 8. Psilotrichum, Blume.

Herbs or undershrubs. Leaves opposite, entire, petioled. Flowers white or greenish, hermaphrodite, in axillary, solitary or panicled, spikes or clusters; bracts small, persistent; bracteoles 2, small. Perianth calycine, of 5 slightly connate segments, the outer gibbous below, the inner rather smaller. Stamens 5; filaments subulate, shortly connate at the base; anthers 2-celled; staminodes 0. Ovary oblong or subglobose; ovule 1, pendulous from a long basal funicle; style simple, slender; stigma capitellate or bifid. Fruit a globose or compressed utricle, enclosed in the hardened perianth. Seed inverse, lenticular; testa coriaceous or crustaceous; embryo annular, enclosing the floury albumen; cotyledons flat; radicle ascending.

Spikes few, in upper axils, 5—1 in. long; perianth 25 in. long, deeply grooved, pubescent; bracts lanceolate, bracteoles ovate, both awned; leaves ovate-lanceolate, or lanceolate-acuminate, narrowed at base, glabrous, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad.

1. PSILOTRICHUM NUDUM, Moq.; F. B. I. iv. 724. Carnatic, chiefly South, about Courtallum (Wight). A many-branched undershrub.

2. PSILOTRICHUM CALCEOLATUM, Moq.; F. B. I. iv. 725. P. nudum, Wt.

Ic. t. 1775.
Deccan and Carnatic, especially on W. side from Coimbatore to Tinnevelly, in hill forests at low levels.

An erect or somewhat climbing undershrub, with many branches.

3. PSILOTRICHUM SCLERANTHUM, Thw.; F. B. I. iv. 725. Travancore (Wight in 'Hb. Edinb.').

A small undershrub with whitish flowers, a Ceylon plant.

## 9. Psilostachys, Hochst.

Slender dichotomous herbs. Leaves opposite, petioled. Flowers minute, hermaphrodite, in slender spikes, trichotomous at the ends of the filiform branches of a lax panicle. Perianth calycine, 5-partite, the 2 or 3 outer lobes strongly 3-nerved, broader than the inner. Stamens 5, free; anthers 2-celled; staminodes 0. Ovary subglobose or ovoid, 1-celled; ovule solitary; styles slender; stigma capitellate. Fruit an indehiscent membranous utricle. Seed inverse; testa coriaceous; embryo hooked; cotyledons linear, broader than the ascending radicle. PSILOSTACHYS SERICEA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 726. Achyranthes sericea,

Koenig; Wt. Ic. t. 726.

Locality unknown (Koenig); Coromandel Coast, at Coconada (Gamble), at Kistnapatam, Nellore (Fischer), on the sea coast.

A very pretty slender erect silky herb with broadly ovate leaves up to 1 in. long, 75 in. broad. Bombay (Kathiawar) specimens seem to be more silvery silky than the E. coast ones.

## 10. Nothosaerva, Wight.

An annual herb with opposite spreading branches. Leaves opposite. Flowers very minute, woolly, hermaphrodite, in axillary, solitary or clustered spikes; bracts hyaline, persistent, bracteoles 2 hyaline. Perianth calycine, of 3—5 lobes, the lobes hyaline, obtuse, 1-nerved. Stamens usually 2, free; anthers 2-celled; staminodes 0. Ovary oblong, compressed; ovule solitary, pendulous from a long funicle; style short; stigma capitellate. Fruit a membranous oblong compressed utricle, enclosed in the perianth. Seed inverse, lenticular; testa crustaceous; embryo hooked, surrounding floury albumen; cotyledons linear; radicle superior.

Nothosaerva Brachiata, Wt. Ic. t. 1776 bis (next No. 1921); F. B. I. iv. 726. Pseudanthus brachiatus, Wt. Ic. t. 1776 (excl. analysis).

Deccan and Carnatic, in most Districts.

An erect slender herb with very minute white flowers in fascicles of short close spikes, and membranous, ovate elliptic or lanceolate, leaves, usually acute, narrowed at base, up to 1.5 in. long.

#### 11. Achyranthes, Linn.

Herbs, sometimes woody below. Leaves opposite, entire, petioled. Flowers hermaphrodite, in slender simple and panicled spikes, soon deflexed; bracts membranous, spinescent, persistent; bracteoles 2, spinescent. Perianth calycine, of 4—5 rigid, lanceolate, aristate segments somewhat connate below, ultimately ribbed and hardened. Stamens 2—5; filaments filiform, connate at the membranous base and alternating with as many quadrate staminodes which are toothed lacerate or with a toothed scale at the back; anthers 2-celled. Ovary oblong, subcompressed, 1-celled; ovule solitary, pendulous from a long basal funicle; style filiform; stigma capitellate. Fruit an oblong or ovoid utricle, rounded or areolate at apex, when ripe usually disarticulating above the bract. Seed inverse, oblong; testa coriaceous tegmen membranous; embryo annular, surrounding the floury albumen; cotyledons oblong, again incurved; radicle erect.

Dry ground plants; perianth in fruit somewhat hardened, under 25 in. long, the segments subequal; bracteoles spinous with hyaline wings:—

Wings of the bracteoles broad, nearly half as long as the spine; staminodes truncate, fimbriate, with or without dorsal appendages; leaves very variable

1. ACHYRANTHES AQUATICA, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 730. Centrostachys aquatica, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 1780.

N. Circars, on the margins of rivers and ponds in Ganjam. A tall rather fleshy water plant, rooting in mud, the stems thick and angular, the spikes sometimes reaching 18 in. long.

2. Achyranthes aspera, Linn.; F. B. I. IV. 730; Wt. Ic. t. 1777.

All plains Districts, on roadsides and in waste places. An erect herb reaching 3 ft. in height, with velvety tomentose, orbicular obovate or elliptic, usually obtuse, thick leaves, reaching 4 in. long, 3 in. broad, the slender spikes often reaching 18 in. in fruit, the disarticulating fruit easily adhering to animals or clothing, as in the other species, and so being carried away to be sown elsewhere.

Var. rubro-fusca, Hook. f. A. rubro-fusca, Wt. Ic. t. 1778. Leaves elliptic-ovate, acute, brown when dry, reddish, with the stems, when fresh. Nilgiri Hills.

Var. porphyristachya, Hook. f. Leaves elliptic, acuminate, glabrous or pubescent, membranous, the spikes slender and elongate, the perianth quite '25 in. long, the staminodes with appendages tufted at the back. Nilgiri and Pulney Hills.

3. Achyranthes bidentata, Blume; F. B. I. iv. 730; Wt. Ic. t. 1779. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Malabar,

also Bababudan Hills of Mysore, above 4,000 ft.

An erect herb, the leaves very variable, passing from ovate-lanceolate acuminate, pubescent, about 2 in. long, to lanceolate and finally linear, in some cases up to 8 in. long, 1 5 in. broad and nearly or quite glabrous.

#### 12. Aerva, Forsk.

Herbs or undershrubs, erect prostrate or climbing. Leaves alternate or opposite or fascicled. Flowers hermaphrodite or polygamous, small or minute, in simple or panicled spikes; bracts and 2 bracteoles small. Perianth calycine, membranous, 5- rarely 4-lobed, the lobes equal or the outer wider, all or the inner only woolly. Stamens 5, rarely 4; filaments subulate, connate with interposed linear staminodes in a hypogynous cup; anthers 2-celled. Ovary ovoid or subglobose, 1-celled; ovule pendulous from a long basal funicle; style simple; stigma capitellate or 2-fid. Fruit a membranous utricle or a circumscissile capsule with coriaceous apex. Seed inverse; testa coriaceous; embryo annular, surrounding the floury albumen; cotyledons linear; radicle superior.

Perianth-lobes 5:-

thick, pubescent above, densely white- or slightly tawny-tomentose beneath, up to 2 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; flowers hermaphrodite, small, in small dense yellowish-white spikes ·25 in. long, clustered; stigmas 2, short.....4. Wightii. Perianth-lobes 4; spikes cylindrical, peduncled, ·5—1 in. long, at the ends of short lateral branches, the flowers bisexual; leaves narrowly linear, opposite or fascicled at the nodes of the branchlets, ·25—·75 in. long; utricle circumscissile

5. Monsoniae.

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 AERVA TOMENTOSA, Forsk. Ae. javanica, Wt. Ic. t. 876; F. B. I. iv. 727.

Deccan and Carnatic, common.

A very white tomentose conspicuous undershrub. The male flowers seem to be very rare indeed. Perianth-lobes obtuse.

2. Aerva scandens, Wall.; F. B. I. iv. 727; Wt. Ic. t. 724 (exc. utricle and seed).

N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, up to 5,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 4,000 ft., on waste land and climbing among bushes.

A straggling undershrub with long branches and silvery-white flower-spikes. Perianth-lobes acuminate.

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3. Aerva lanata, Juss.; F. B. I. iv. 728; Wt. Ic. t. 723 (not good).

A. floribunda, Wt. Ic. t. 1776 (analysis only), t. 1776 bis A (next t. 1921.)

All plains Districts, and up to about 3,000 ft. in the Hills. A many-branched undershrub with small flower-spikes and leaves.

4. Aerva Wighth, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 728.

W. Gháts, hills about Courtallum and Naterikal, in Tinnevelly (Wight, Hb. Madr.)

A many-branched bushy undershrub from a stout root-stock, the leaves thick, the perianth-lobes acuminate and aristate.

5. Aerva Monsoniae, Mart.; F. B. I. iv. 728; Wt. Ic. t. 725.

Deccan and Carnatic, in dry sandy places, both near the Coast and inland, common.

A rather conspicuous and striking plant with a long tap-root, many prostrate or ascending branches and pale pink spikes of crowded flowers reaching up to 1 to 1.5 in. in length.

#### 13. Alternanthera, Forsk.

Herbs, usually prostrate. Leaves opposite. Flowers hermaphrodite, small, white, in axillary often clustered heads, bract and 2 bracteoles scarious. Perianth calycine segments 5, unequal, the 2 lateral innermost, concave. Stamens 2—5; filaments short, connate in a short cup, with or without intervening staminodes; anthers 1-celled. Ovary orbicular or ovoid; ovule solitary, pendulous from a long basal funicle; style short; stigma capitellate. Fruit a compressed, ovoid orbicular or obcordate, utricle, the margins thickened or winged. Seed inverse, lenticular; testa crustaceous; embryo annular, surrounding the floury albumen; cotyledons narrow; radicle superior.

ALTERNANTHERA TRIANDRA, Lamk. A. sessilis, R. Br.; F. B. I. iv. 731: Wt. Ic. t. 727.

All Districts, in wet places, both in the plains and in the hills to over 7,000 ft. It may be found in salt or brackish water as in fresh (Alcock in Ganjam, also Hooper).

A prostrate herb with lanceolate oblanceolate or linear-oblong leaves 5—2 in long, small white flowers in axillary clusters, 3 stamens and a broadly obcordate utricle.

Gomphrena globosa, Linn.; F. B. I. iv. 732; Wt. Ic. t. 1784, is the Globe Amaranth, a tall branched annual with large globose yellowish white or crimson heads of flowers, largely grown in gardens and often found as an escape. It probably came from America. Another species, provisionally identified as G. decumbens, Jacq. of Central America, is

found on road-sides about Madras and is reported to be spreading rapidly. *Telanthera ficoidea*, Moq., is a small S. American prostrate plant resembling *Alternanthera* and used in garden-borders as its leaves turn a crimson colour. It is commonly called *Alternanthera amabilis*.

## Family CXIX. CHENOPODIACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, sometimes mealy, sometimes fleshy. Leaves usually alternate, simple, exstipulate. Flowers small, usually green, hermaphrodite or unisexual, usually regular, often dimorphic; bracts 1 or 0; bracteoles 0 or 2. Perianth simple, calycine, of 3—5 simple or connate segments, imbricate in bud. Stamens usually 5, opposite the perianth-segments, perigynous or hypogynous, free or connate at the base; anthers 2-celled. Ovary ovoid globose or depressed, 1-celled; ovule solitary, basal or lateral, campylotropous; style terminal; stigma capitate 2—3- lobed or stigmas 2—5 free or slightly united. Fruit a small utricle, rarely a circumscissile capsule, enclosed in the enlarged sometimes fleshy perianth. Seed horizontal or vertical with crustaceous coriaceous or membranous testa; albumen floury, fleshy or 0; embryo curved, annular or spiral.

Stems not twining; bracteoles free from the perianth; anthers erect or incurved in bud:—

Embryo annular or horse-shoe-shaped:-

Stems jointed, fleshy; leaves 0:—
Flowers in the scales of cone-like spikes; albumen fleshy...4. Arthrocnemum.
Flowers in cavities of successive joints; albumen 0...........................5. Salicornia.

## 1. Chenopodium, Linn.

Erect or prostrate herbs. Leaves alternate, entire, lobed or toothed. Flowers minute, hermaphrodite, in axillary clusters or cymes; bracts and bracteoles none. Perianth usually 5-lobed, the lobes concave, incurved. Stamens 5 or fewer, hypogynous or almost perigynous; anthers 2-celled. Disk 0 or annular. Ovary depressed-globose, rarely ovoid; ovule solitary, subsessile; stigmas 2—5, sometimes united below in a style. Fruit a membranous utricle, enclosed in the perianth. Seed usually horizontal; testa crustaceous or coriaceous; embryo nearly or quite annular, surrounding the floury albumen.

- 1. Chenopodium album, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 3.

  Most plains Districts, also in the Hills, a weed of road-sides, waste lands and cultivated ground. White Goosefoot.

  A tall herb sometimes reaching 10 ft., clammy to the touch.
- 2. Chenopodium murale, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 4.

  Deccan, in Mysore and Coimbatore, probably an introduced weed, but not common.

  A low herb, up to about 15 in. high.
- 3. CHENOPODIUM AMBROSIODES, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 4; Wt. Ic. t. 1786.

  Deccan and W. Gháts, up to 7,000 ft., in waste places and on cultivated land, probably not indigenous.

  A tall aromatic often gregarious herb with very slender

# 2. Atriplex, Linn.

flowering spikes.

Herbs or shrubs, usually mealy. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite. Flowers small, monoecious or dioecious, in axillary sessile clusters or in simple or panicled spikes; bracts 0, bracteoles in  $\sigma$  flowers 0, in  $\varphi$  2, flat, accrescent, dilated in fruit and forming a 2-valved covering to it. Perianth in  $\sigma$  flower 3—5-partite, calycine, the lobes oblong or obovate, obtuse; in  $\varphi$  flowers 0. Stamens 3—5, inserted at the base of the perianth; filaments free or connate below; anthers didymous. Ovary ovoid or depressed-globose; ovule oblique or vertical; stigmas 2, subulate or filiform, connate below. Fruit a membranous utricle, rarely adnate to the seed, enclosed in the enlarged bracteoles. Seed erect or inverted, suspended from a long funicle or rarely horizontal; embryo annular, surrounding the floury albumen.

ATRIPLEX REPENS, Roth; F. B. I. v. 7. Obione Koenigii, Moq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1790.

E. Coast, from Nellore southwards, on sandy sea-shores.

An undershrub with thick rootstock and long procumbent branches rooting at the nodes, the leaves small, ovate or ovate-oblong, rounded at apex, entire, completely covered with minute white shining scales, up to '75 in. long; bracteoles in fruit thick and usually with warry protuberances on the back.

A. hortensis, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 6. A. heterantha, Wt. Ic. t. 1787, is a stout annual often tinged with red, the leaves ovate-lanceolate, the fruiting bracteoles orbicular and reticulate. It is sometimes cultivated as a spinach.

## 3. Kochia, Roth.

Herbs or undershrubs, usually villous or pubescent. Leaves alternate, sessile, narrow, entire. Flowers minute, axillary, solitary or in

clusters, hermaphrodite and Q, rarely only of; bracts 0. Perianth subglobose; lobes 5, incurved, closing over the utricle, girt by 5 free or confluent wings. Stamens 5, usually exserted; anthers ovate. Ovary depressed-globose; style slender; stigmas 2 or 3, capillary. Fruit a membranous depressed utricle. Seed ovoid or orbicular, horizontal; testa membranous, embryo annular, the albumen scanty.

Kochia indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1791; F. B. I. v. 11. Deccan, in Coimbatore, on salt soils (Wight).

A tall erect branching annual, the small leaves linear-lanceolate, the flowers in much soft brown wool especially round the perianth with its ovate scarious wings.

#### 4. Arthrocnemum, Moq.

Fleshy jointed branching shrubs or herbs. Leaves 0. Flowers very small, hermaphrodite or monoecious (?) in cylindric conelike spikes, in clusters of 3 sunk in the hollows of the joints. Perianth calycine, usually 3—4-gonous, minutely toothed at apex, at length spongy. Stamens 1—3 (rarely seen, cf. Roxb.). Ovary ovoid; ovule 1 suspended on a basal funicle; style short; stigmas 2, subulate. Fruit an ovoid utricle, membranous or crustaceous; enclosed in the spongy perianth. Seed vertical, ovoid; testa membranous; embryo comma-shaped, partly enclosing the albumen, cotyledons very small, radicle inferior.

1. Arthrognemum indicum, Moq.; F. B. I. v. 12. Salicornia indica, Willd.; Wt. Ic. t. 737.

E. and W. Coasts, in salt marshes.

A prostrate glaucous-green fleshy undershrub with numerous branches.

2. Arthrocnemum fruticosum, Moq.

Var. glaucum, Moq. A.? glaucum, Ung. Sternb.; F. B. I. v. 12.

E. Coast, from Madras (at Sadras, Lawson) to Tuticorin (Wight), in salt marshes.

A tall erect many-branched shrub.

## 5. Salicornia, Linn.

Fleshy, jointed, branched shrubs or herbs. Leaves 0. Flowers minute, hermaphrodite, ternate, in the axils of scaly bracts sunk in superposed and decussately opposite cavities of the internodes, forming cylindric spikes; bracteoles 2. Perianth calycine, obpyramidal. Stamen 1, anther oblong. Ovary ovoid, narrowed to the tip; ovule sessile; stigmas 2, subulate. Fruit an ovoid membranous utricle, enclosed in the spongy perianth. Seed erect, compressed; testa hispid; albumen 0; embryo conduplicate; radicle inferior, parallel to the cotyledons.

Salicornia Brachiata, Roxb.; F. B. I. v. 12; Wt. Ic. t. 738. E. Coast, Chilka Lake in Ganjam, Coasts of Nellore, Chingleput, Tanjore and Tinnevelly, in salt marshes. An erect undershrub, the joints of the branches longer than in those of *Arthrocnemum* and resembling those of some species of *Viscum*. The flower-spikes are very slender.

## 6. Suaeda, Forsk.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves fleshy, terete, rarely flattish. Flowers minute, axillary, usually hermaphrodite, rarely bisexual, bracteate and 2-bracteolate. Perianth short, calycine, globose or urceolate, 5-lobed or 5-partite, the lobes equal or unequal incurved. Stamens 5; filaments short; anthers rather large. Disk large or 0. Ovary ovoid or orbicular, sessile, adnate below to the perianth, rounded or truncate at the apex; ovule solitary, subsessile; style 0; stigmas subulate, papillose. Fruit a small membranous or spongy utricle included in the perianth. Seed erect, horizontal or oblique; testa coriaceous or crustaceous; albumen 0 or scanty; embryo slender, plano-spiral.

Perennial; seed usually erect:-

Annual; seed usually horizontal; flowers hermaphrodite, in small few-flowered clusters in lax elongate spikes; stigmas 3; bracteoles membranous, entire; leaves narrowly linear, semi-terete, up to 1 in. long, scarcely 1 in. broad.....3. maritima.

- 1. Suaeda nudiflora, Moq. ; F. B. I. v. 14. S. indica, Moq. ; Wt. Ic. t. 1796.
  - E. Coast, from the Chilka Lake southwards, on the sea coast, common.
  - A woody undershrub with many branches densely covered with flowers.
- 2. Suaeda monoica, Forsk.; F. B. I. v. 13; Wt. Ic. t. 1792.
  - E. Coast, from the Kistna river southwards, on the sea coast. A small erect bush, with many branches.
- 3. Suaeda Maritima, Dumort.; F. B. I. v. 14; Chenopodina indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1793.
  - E. Coast from Madras southwards, on the sea coast, often near salt pans.
  - An erect slender annual.

## 7. Haloxylon, Bunge.

Shrubs or small trees with opposite jointed branches. Leaves opposite, triangular and short or elongate and terete. Flowers hermaphrodite, solitary or opposite or 1—3 together in spikes in the axils of ovate bracts; bracteoles 2. Perianth calycine, 5-lobed, the lobes concave, accrescent, horizontally winged on the back. Stamens 5 or fewer, on the margin or base of a cupular disk with alternating lobes (? staminodes); filaments linear; anthers ellipsoid or hastate. Fruit a subglobose or depressed utricle, enclosed in the perianth; stigma 2-lobed or

stigmas 3—4, recurved. Seed horizontal; testa membranous; albumen 0: embryo green, plano-spiral.

HALOXYLON RECURVUM, Bunge; F. B. I. v. 15. Caroxylon indicum,

Wt. Ic. t. 1794.

Deccan, in Coimbatore (Wight).

A tall bushy plant reaching 3—4 ft. high, turning black when dry, the leaves small, fleshy, ovate, glabrous, the flowers rather large and with conspicuous wings to the perianth-lobes.

#### 8. Basella, Linn.

Much branched twining fleshy herbs. Leaves alternate, entire. Flowers hermaphrodite, sessile, spicate; bracts minute, caducous, bracteoles 2, united in a 2-lipped cup, adnate to the perianth. Perianth calycine, fleshy, 5-lobed; lobes short, incurved, later accrescent and berry-like. Stamens 5, on the mouth of the perianth-tube; filaments short, erect in bud; anthers versatile. Ovary globose; ovule subsessile; styles 3; stgmas linear-clavate, papillose within. Fruit a globose utricle, enclosed in the fleshy perianth; pericarp thin, adnate to the seed. Seed erect, subglobose; testa crustaceous; albumen scanty; embryo planospiral, the cotyledons large, thin, convolute.

Basella Rubra, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 20. B. alba, Linn.; Wt. Ic. t. 896.

All Districts, wild or cultivated. Indian Spinach.

A glabrous succulent climbing herb with small white or red flowers in spikes, the peduncles often becoming thickened. Leaves broadly ovate, acute or acuminate, often cordate at base, up to 5 in. long, 3 in. broad. It is a useful vegetable and makes a good spinach. Vern. *Hind*. Poi; *Tel*. Batsalla.

Beta vulgaris, Linn., the Beet, and Spinacia oleracea, Linn., the Spinach, are vegetables commonly cultivated in gardens. The S. American Boussingaultia baselloides, H. B. & K., is an ornamental climber with white fragrant flowers, grown in Madras Gardens.

## Family CXX. POLYGONACEAE.

Herbs, rarely shrubs, very rarely trees, sometimes climbing. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite, entire or serrulate; stipules (ocreae) scarious or membranous, usually sheathing the stem. Flowers hermaphrodite, rarely polygamous, regular, solitary or in small bracteate clusters; pedicels usually articulate. Perianth simple, calycine or corolline, inferior; segments 3—6, free or connate, imbricate in bud. Stamens 5—8, rarely more or fewer, opposite the perianth-segments. Disk annular, glandular, or 0. Ovary free, sessile, 1-celled; ovule solitary, orthotropous, sessile or on a distinct funicle; styles 3 or 2, rarely 4; stigma capitate peltate or fimbriate. Fruit a small hard, usually trigonous or biconvex, nutlet, enclosed in the perianth. Seed erect; testa membranous; albumen floury, sometimes ruminate; embryo various; radicle superior.

#### 1. Polygonum, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs, rarely climbing. Leaves alternate, entire, rarely lobed; stipules membranous, connate in a tubular ocrea. Flowers hermaphrodite, small or minute, axillary or terminal, the clusters sessile or in spiciform capitate or panicled racemes; pedicels short, usually jointed under the perianth; bracts and bracteoles membranous, ocreate. Perianth green or coloured, 4—5- rarely 3-cleft, the 2 outer segments usually smallest. Stamens 5—8, rarely 1—4, perigynous; filaments filiform, often dilated at base or alternate with the lobes of an annular or glandular disk. Ovary compressed or trigonous; styles 2 or 3, free or slightly connate; stigmas usually capitellate. Fruit a compressed or trigonous nutlet, more or less included in the persistent perianth; pericarp usually hard and often shining. Seed albuminous, embryo lateral or excentric; radicle long, cotyledons small.

Inflorescence of sessile or pedicellate flowers in branched spikes or racemes:-

Bracts not ciliate on the margins; ocreae '75—1.5 in. long, tubular, glabrous, truncate at mouth, closely embracing the stem till they get torn; racemes slender, 2—4 in. long, paniculate; leaves linear-lanceolate, long acuminate, usually glabrous and gland-dotted, up to 9 in. long, 1.25 in. broad

Nutlets trigonous, sometimes also biconvex on the same plant:—
Racemes stout; bracts closely imbricate, nearly glabrous but short-ciliate on the margins; ocreae 5—1 in. long, tubular, strigose, with very long ciliae at the mouth; leaves lanceolate or linear-lanceolate, acuminate, tapering at base, glabrous except the margins and midrib, up to 6 in. long, 1 in. broad

Racemes slender; bracts more or less distant; perianth glandular:—
Ocreae tubular, glabrous, shortly and sparsely ciliate at the mouth; leaves lanceolate, acute, glabrous except the scabrid midrib beneath, up to 3 in. long, '75 in. broad; nutlets both trigonous and plano-convex

Inflorescence capitate, the heads single or in corymbs:—
Heads pedunculate, small, sessile in the axil of an involucral leaf; bracts ovate-oblong, membranous; perianth 4-fid; nutlets biconvex or subtrigonous, minutely pitted in lines; leaves deltoid-ovate, entire, acute, truncate or subcordate at base and decurrent as wings to the amplexicaul petiole, up to 2.5 in long, 1 in. broad; ocreae membranous, obliquely truncate, hairy at base.

9. punctatum.

Heads pedunculate, without an immediate involucral leaf:— Stems without prickles at the nodes; heads small, about ·25 in. in diam.,

much bracteate, perianth 5-fid:-

1. Polygonum plebejum, R. Br.; F. B. I. v. 27, P. indicum, Heyne; Wt. Ic. t. 1808.

All plains Districts and up to 5,000 ft. in the hills.

A prostrate herb, usually from a woody rootstock, the branches flat, the flowers pink, the leaves small, usually, in this area, linear or obovate, up to 5 in. long (var. indica, Hook. f.) but often much smaller and sometimes longer and more linear.

Var. Miqueliana, Hook. f. Stems flexuous; leaves obovate, obtuse; flowers with long ('15—'2 in.) pedicels. S. Canara (Hohenacker). The var. polyneura, Hook. f., seems to be the same but with shorter pedicels, longer leaves and the ocreae larger and nerved. S. Canara (Hohenacker).

2. Polygonum tomentosum, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 30.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in ditches and other wet

places

A stout thick herbaceous plant with prostrate stems rooting at the nodes, the branches erect, thick and very hairy, the flowers large and white, the nutlets large, thick, crustaceous and shining, dark brown.

3. Polygonum lanigerum, R. Br.; F. B. I. v. 35.

Deccan, Geddesala in Coimbatore at 4,000 ft. (Fischer).

A stout herb, procumbent and creeping below, the branches erect, the flowers small, red or white, the nuts flat and shining: at once recognized by the white cottony wool.

4. Polygonum clabrum, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 34; Wt. Ic. t. 1797.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, South to S. Travancore, also E. side of W. Gháts, up to 5,000 ft. in hilly country, in ditches and wet places.

An erect glabrous annual herb, reaching even 5 ft. in height, rooting from lower nodes, the flowers pink or white, the leaves

very slender.

Var. scabrinerve, Hook. f. Leaves shorter, scabrid on the midrib beneath; racemes shorter and more closely panicled. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills at about 6,000 ft.

5. Polygonum minus, Huds.; F. B. I. v. 36. P. strictum, All.; Wt.

Ic. t. 1800.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, at 5,000—7,000 ft. in bogs and other wet places.

A low herb, creeping and rooting at the nodes, the racemes and leaves small, the small flowers pink.

6. Polygonum barbatum, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 37; Wt. Ic. t. 1798.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in wet places.

An erect annual, conspicuous for the long fimbriate ciliae of the ocreae, the flowers white, the leaves lanceolate.

7. POLYGONUM HYDROPIPER, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 39.

W. Gháts, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, in wet places up to 6,000 ft.

A stout glabrous but often glandular annual with pink flowers.

8. Polygonum flaccidum, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 39. P. Donii, Wt. Ic. t. 1801.

N. Circars and Deccan, in wet places in hill forests, also W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, up to 6,000 ft.

A rather slender herb, with very long filiform flaccid racemes of usually pink flowers.

9. Polygonum punctatum, Buch.-Ham. P. alatum, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. v. 41. P. nepalense, Meissn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1804.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill, Ganjam, 4,000 ft.; hills of the Deccan and Carnatic, usually above 4,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 4,000 ft., a weed in gardens and cultivated land.

A small, more or less procumbent annual, the flowers white or

pink.

Var. Metzianum, Hook. f. Small and diffusely branched with small leaves and heads, the nutlet biconvex or trigonous. Coorg (Hohenacker), Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft. (Saulière).

10. Polygonum sphaerocephalum, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 43. P. Wallichii,

Wt. Ic. t. 1805.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, above 7,000 ft., especially on Doddabetta (Gamble, Lawson).

A somewhat creeping herb. The leaves are larger than in North Indian specimens.

11. POLYGONUM CHINENSE, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 44; Wt. Ic. t. 1806.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam (Fischer); Deccan and Carnatic, in the hills, scarce; W. Gháts, in all Districts above 3,000 ft., common.

A rambling undershrub, semi-scandent over bushes, with white or pink flowers, variable in shape and size of leaf, the large elliptic ones (var. ovalifolium) perhaps the most common.

12. POLYGONUM STRIGOSUM, R. Br.; F. B. I. v. 47. P. horridum, Buch.-Ham.; Wt. Ic. t. 1803.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 5,000 ft., in wet

places. A herbaceous plant with pink flowers, the nutlets trigonous, the stems at first decumbent and rooting, the branches erect.

13. Polygonum pedunculare, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 48; Wt. Ic. t. 1802 C. W. Gháts, Pulney Hills. A glabrous erect herb with lanceolate acute leaves up to 3 in. long, I in. broad, the heads very small, in slender dichotomous glandular cymes.

Var. nilagiricum, Hook. f. Leaves, linear-oblong or oblong-lanceolate, up to 6 in. long, '75-1 in. broad, the stems glabrous, the heads

rather large. Nilgiri Hills, at 6,000 ft. (C. B. Clarke).

Var. robustum, Hook. f. Leaves linear-lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, up to 6 in. long, 75 in. broad, the stems scabrid, the heads rather large (Wt. Ic. t. 1802 B).

Var. angustissimum, Hook f. Leaves narrowly linear up to 5 in. long, 3 in. broad, the stems nearly smooth, the heads often subcylindric

(Wt. Ic. t. 1802 A). Nilgiri Hills at 6,000 ft.

P. molle, D. Don, is a shrubby species of the E. Himalaya, cultivated and now run wild in the higher Nilgiri Hills.

## 2. Rumex, Linn.

Annual or perennial herbs, rarely shrubs. Leaves various, mostly radical or cauline, alternate; stipules hyaline, ocreate, often disappearing with age. Flowers hermaphrodite monoecious or dioecious, in axillary clusters or in whorls arranged in simple or panicled racemes; pedicels jointed; bracts ocreate; bracteoles 0. Perianth simple, calycine; segments 6, rarely 4, the inner accrescent, entire or toothed, the midrib often enlarged or tubercled. Stamens 6; filaments short; anthers oblong. Ovary trigonous; ovule solitary; styles 3; stigmas fimbriate. Fruit a small nut, enclosed in the usually enlarged inner perianth-segments, the angles acute. Seed erect; embryo lateral, nearly straight; cotyledons linear or oblong.

Flowers hermaphrodite; stout herbs; inner perianth-segments coriaceous in fruit:-Inner perianth-segments lanceolate, acute, entire or with few teeth, a very conspicuous oblong tubercle on the back; leaves oblong panduriform, obtuse, cordate at base, the margins waved or crisped, up to 8 in. long, 1.5 in. broad

Inner perianth-segments orbicular-ovate, reticulate, the margins with many teeth with hooked tips, one or more with a rather small tubercle on the back; leaves oblong- or triangular-ovate, acute or obtuse, cordate at base, up to 14 in. long, Flowers monoecious; fleshy herbs; inner perianth-segments membranous and reticulate in fruit; leaves elliptic or oblong, cordate or hastate at base.....vesicarius. Flowers dioecious; slender herbs; inner perianth-segments very small, oblong, closely appressed to the nut in fruit; leaves small, lanceolate or hastate... Asetosella.

1. Rumex nigricans, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 59. N. Circars, on the Godavari (Gamble). An erect stout annual herb reaching 1.5 ft. high, the stem grooved, the leaves with long slender petioles. The inflorescence is black when dry or nearly so.

2. Rumex nepalensis, Spreng.; F. B. I. v. 60; Wt. Ic. t. 1810.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft.

A tall stout annual or perennial herb, sometimes with tuberous roots, the stems grooved, the leaves long-petioled.

R. vesicarius, Linn., is an annual herb, wild in the W. Himalayas elsewhere cultivated as a vegetable. It is at once recognized by the membranous pink or white reticulate inner fruiting perianth.

R. Acetosella, Linn., is a European common herb, the Sheep Sorrel,

introduced and now run wild in the Nilgiris.

Fagopyrum esculentum, Moench., is the Buckwheat, occasionally grown as a grain crop in the hills. Antigonon Leptopus, Hook. & Arn., is the Coral Creeper, a large handsome climbing shrub with pink flowers, a native of S. America and commonly grown in Indian gardens. Muehlenbeckia platyclados, Meissn., is a glabrous erect shrub, native of the Solomon Islands and often grown in Indian gardens. It has smooth flattened leaf-like branches and small flowers in lateral fascicles.

## Family CXXI. PODOSTEMONACEAE.

After J. C. Willis in the 'Annals of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya, Ceylon,' vol. i, pp. 181 and 267 (1902), with plates. Aquatic herbs, usually annual, submerged and closely attached to rocks, the flowers appearing and the seeds germinating at the close of the rainy season when exposed by the fall of the water-level. Primary axis early giving rise to a thallus—the part of the plant that creeps on the rocks or lies near to them. Secondary shoots appear from the thallus, and may be found as rosettes of leaves or as growing or branching leaf-bearing axes. Leaves very simple and delicate (easily lost), changing to bracts and finally ending in a spathe or cupule which encloses the young flower. Flowers hermaphrodite, small, regular and trimerous with a perianth or zygomorphic and bimerous without one. Stamens hypogynous, in regular flowers 3, alternate with the perianthsegments, in zygomorphic flowers usually 2, monadelphous and usually with 2 staminodes; anthers introrse, 2-celled. Ovary superior, 2-3celled, with thick placenta and delicate septa; ovules numerous, anatropous; stigmas 2—3. Fruit a usually pedicellate capsule, ribbed or smooth, septifragal. Seeds usually numerous, minute (in Farmeria 2 or 4); testa mucilaginous; albumen 0; embryo straight.

Flowers zygomorphic, naked; stamens 1—3:—
Fruit ribbed, iso- or aniso-lobous, dehiscent, with many seeds; spathe erect,

more or less cylindrical, opening at apex by several teeth:-

Fruit smooth, anisolobous, dehiscent, with many seeds; spathe erect, toothed or bifid:—

ong the upper side; manus closely attached to local Thallus crustaceous or ribbon-like, exogenously lobed or branched; secondary shoots usually prostrate when floriferous, 1-flowered with small scaly bracts; seeds very many, fruit dehiscent, iso- or aniso-lobous, ribbed or smooth

# 1. Tristicha, Dup.-Th.

Submerged herbs with the habit of Fontinalis and other aquatic mosses, the roots creeping, filamentous, attached by feet; secondary shoots very many, often more or less paired on opposite sides, floating freely in the water. When most developed often long, many-flowered and frequently branched, but often quite short, unbranched and 1-flowered or vegetative only; branches of 2 kinds, long ones with the structure of the main axis and short ones consisting of a delicate axis with very many small leaves often tristichous. Flowers terminal, on pedicels subtended by 2—3 large or several ordinary leaves, the upper ones often more or less united; pedicel and ovary with deciduous cortex, which shrivels after flowering, the small flowers usually emerging through the water at the beginning of the dry season.

Tristicha ramosissima, Willis. Terniola ramosissima, Wedd.; F. B. I. v. 63. Dalzellia ramosissima, Wt. Ic. t. 1920, f. 1.

W. Gháts, rivers of S. Canara, Malabar, Cochin and Travancore (Johnson, Bourdillon, etc.), also Anamalai Hills, up to 4,000 ft. A floating plant with very long filiform much-branched stems, narrowly linear leaves in tufts round the single pedicellate flower, which has 3 stamens and 3 long filamentous hairy stigmas. Branchlets not tristichous.

# 2. Lawia, Griff.

Herbs with frondose thalli, living on smooth rocks in rapids and waterfalls, submerged during the S.W. monsoon, flowering in the dry season when exposed. Thallus closely attached to the rock, suborbicular or stellate, attached by root-hairs, usually much branched with ribbon-like or flabelliform lobes. Leaves very numerous, simple, entire, usually acute, green or red, occurring either on the upper surface and edges of the thallus or in closely-packed rosettes on its older parts. Flowers terminal on the growing points of the margins of the thallus, rarely on the upper surface, solitary, on pedicels emerging from terminal axial leafy cupules; pedicel in flowering time 1—25 in. long, covered, as also the ovary, with a pellucid cellular cortex, which falls off after flowering, leaving an elastic pedicel up to 1.25 in. long, erect.

Stamens 3, alternating with the perianth-segments; anthers 2-celled, opening longitudinally. Capsule ellipsoid or obovoid, 9-ribbed, 3-celled, septifragal, valves incurved after dehiscence.

LAWIA ZEYLANICA, Tul. Terniola zeylanica, Tul.; F. B. I. v. 62. Var.

malabarica, Willis.

W. Gháts, S. Canara, at Sullia and Beltangadi (Barber); Tambra-

parni River in Tinnevelly (Barber).

A frondose plant with thallus closely adhering and branching the fruiting pedicel about '3 in. long, the fruit obovoid-elliptical.

#### 3. Dicraea, Tul.

Submerged herbs with the habit of *Fucus* and other seaweeds. *Thallus* various, usually freely floating from an attached base, exogenously branched, with marginal ultimately 1-flowered secondary shoots; leaves usually subulate. *Flowers* zygomorphic, enclosed in spathes splitting irregularly at the tip and subtended by 2—8, usually 4, fleshy scaly bracts. *Stamens* 2 or 1, with staminodes on either side of the common axis. *Ovary* smooth, ripening to a 8- or rarely 8—12-ribbed isolobous fruit with very many seeds.

DICRAEA DICHOTOMA, Tul.; Wt. Ic. t. 1916, f. 2. D. Wightii, Tul.; Wt. Ic. t. 1916, f. 3. D. longifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1916, f. 4. D. rigida, Wt. Ic. t. 1916, f. 5. Podostemon dichotomus, Gardn.; F. B. I. v. 64.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Malabar Hills, up to 8,000 ft., on rocks

in rapids.

Thallus narrow, usually zigzag, the leaves filiform.

 DICRAEA STYLOSA, Wt. Ic. t. 1917, f. 2. D. algaeformis, Bedd.; Trans. Linn. Soc. xxv. t. 24. Podostemon stylosus, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 64. P. algaeformis, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 65.

W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, Nilgiris and Anamalais,

up to 5,000 ft.

Thallus broad, seaweed-like, the bracts helmet-shaped.

#### 4. Podostemon, Michx.

Herbs of eddies and rapids, in mountain streams. Thallus threador ribbon-like; secondary shoots ascending, several-flowered, with long subulate leaves and no scaly bracts. Flowers zygomorphic, naked, terminal with a tubular or funnel-shaped erect spathe rupturing irregularly at the tip. Stamens 2 or 1, monadelphous, with a staminode at each side of the common axis, and sometimes at the fork of the partial filaments. Ovary ellipsoid; stigmas 2, simple, subulate, with small papillae. Fruit unequally lobed, 8-ribbed, one valve persistent with 3 decurrent ribs, the other deciduous.

1. Podostemon subulatus, Gardn.; F. B. I. v. 65; Wt. Ic. t. 1918, 1. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, on the Monica Estate at 3,500 ft. (Willis, Barber).

Easily recognized by the long slender subulate leaves, attached to the rocks in tufts and sheathing at base.

2. Podostemon Barberi, Willis.

W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara, at Beltangadi (Barber). A little-known species, with broad thallus, closely attached to the rock, the spathe very long, the fruit pedicel upto 8 in. long.

## 5. Griffithella, Warming.

Minute herb attached to rocks in running streams. Thallus algiform, very polymorphous; secondary shoots marginal or on central parts, small with included axis in vegetative condition, ultimately slightly exserted. Leaves distichous. Flowers naked, zygomorphic, emerging from an erect or ascending tubular or funnel-shaped spathe irregularly split at the tip. Stamens 2, monadelphous; staminodes 2, at the sides of the filament-sheath. Ovary very oblique; stigmas 2, simple, subulate or more or less lobed, with small papillae. Capsule quite smooth, nearly spherical, unequally lobed, splitting obliquely into a larger persistent and smaller deciduous lobe.

GRIFFITHELLA HOOKERIANA, Warming. Podostemon Hookerianus, Wedd.; F. B. I. v. 65. Mniopsis Hookeriana, Tul.; Wt. Ic. t. 1918, f. 4.

W. Gháts, in S. Canara at Beltangadi and Sullia (Barber). A curious lichen-like plant. The S. Canara plants belong to the var. G. Willisiana, Warming, characterized by a short spathe and toothed or fimbriate stigmas, the fruiting pedicels '1—'6 in. long.

#### 6. Willisia, Warming.

Small tufted herbs with erect imbricate shoots. Thallus small, crustaceous, fleshy, closely attached to the rock; secondary shoots crowded, erect, forming a dense tuft, the shoots with imbricate scaly leaves; in addition, during the vegetative season one or more shoots are found with leaves not imbricate but long and filiform and non-floriferous. Leaves of floriferous shoots decussate and triquetrous. Flowers naked, zygomorphic, sessile, terminal, the spathes bifid at tip. Stamens 2, monadelphous, with two staminodes. Ovary ellipsoid; stigmas 2, subulate, smooth. Capsule smooth, with a slight rib in the centre of each valve, anisolobous, one valve deciduous, the other persistent on a bifid stalk, when the non-vascular tissues fall away.

WILLISIA SELAGINOIDES, Warming. Mniopsis selaginoides, Bedd.; Trans. Linn. Soc. xxv. t. 28. Podostemon selaginoides, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 58.

W. Gháts, Anamalais to 3,500 ft. (Beddome, Wight, Barber, Willis).

A very curious species with shoots resembling Lycopodium Selago, attached in tufts to the thallus on rocks.

## 7. Hydrobryum, Endl.

Small green herbaceous plants closely attached to rocks. *Thallus* crustaceous or branched; secondary shoots marginal with 3—8 bracts, usually prostrate. *Leaves* simple, subulate. *Flowers* zygomorphic, stalked or sessile, emerging from a boat-shaped spathe splitting mainly along the upper side. *Stamens* 2 or 1, equalling or exceeding the ovary, staminodes linear. *Ovary* subglobose, 2-celled; stigmas 2, rather large, subulate or lobed or dentate, sometimes obcuneate, entire or lacerate. *Fruit* small, sessile or stalked, smooth or 8—12-ribbed, isolobous or anisolobous with numerous seeds.

1. HYDROBRYUM SESSILE, Willis.

W. Gháts, streams of S. Canara, at Beltangadi (Barber). A curious little plant with distichous bracts bearing the sessile

2. Hydrobryum olivaceum, Tul.; Wt. Ic. t. 1918, f. 2. H. griseum, Tul.; Wt. Ic. t. 1918, f. 3. Podostemon olivaceus, Gardn.; F. B. I. v. 66.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 3,500 ft. (Barber, Willis), form anamalaiense; Nilgiris, Pykara River at 5,000—6,000 ft. (Gardner, Brandis, Willis), form griseum.

A common very small species "easily distinguishable by its crustaceous thallus and erect clearly-ribbed fruit."

3. HYDROBRYUM JOHNSONII, Willis. Mniopsis Johnsonii, Wt. Ic. t. 1918, f. 5. Podostemon Johnsonii, Wedd.; F. B. I. v. 66. W. Gháts, mountain streams in Malabar (Johnson).

4. Hydrobryum lichenoides, Kurz. Podostemon acuminatus, Wedd.; F. B. I. v. 66. P. microcarpus, Wedd.; F. B. I. v. 66.

W. Gháts, streams of S. Canara (Barber), form Kanarense; Anamalai Hills, at 3,500 ft. (Willis), form Fentonii.

The most common, but also the most variable species.

#### 8. Farmeria, Willis.

Dendritically-branching herbs, adherent to smooth rocks in eddies and rapids. Thallus ribbon-like, closely attached, regularly branched; secondary shoots as in Hydrobryum but behind the branches of thallus instead of in anterior axils. Bracts prostrate, thicker on upper side, usually about 6, scaly, with deciduous tips; spathe as in Hydrobryum, splitting on upper side. Stamen 1 usually. Ovary more or less globose, with thickened placenta and 2—4 ovules on the under-side; lower loculus more or less abortive; stigmas large, subulate. Fruit small, the upper lobe larger, 2—4-seeded.

FARMERIA INDICA, Willis.

W. Gháts, Tambraparni river, near Tinnevelly (Barber). A small species with thread-like thallus and ribbed, dehiscent, shortly stalked, 4-seeded fruits.

# Family CXXII. ARISTOLOCHIACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, often climbing, usually with more or less unpleasant odour. Leaves alternate, petioled, entire or lobed; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, often large, usually lurid; terminal axillary or lateral, solitary racemose or cymose; bracts various, often 0. Perianth simple, corolline, superior, regular or irregular, 3-lobed or tubular and variously shaped; lobes valvate. Stamens 6 or more, adnate in 1 or 2 series to the style-column; anther-cells parallel, extrorse, opening dorsally. Ovary 4—6-celled; placenta parietal, free or meeting at the axis; ovules numerous, anatropous; style columnar, ending in stigmatic lobes. Fruit a capsule or berry. Seeds numerous, horizontal or pendulous; albumen fleshy, copious; embryo minute.

2. Aristolochia.

#### 1. Apama, Lamk.

Shrubs or undershrubs, often with stellate hairs. Leaves alternate, petiolate, 3—5-ribbed at the base, the ribs often extending beyond the middle, nerves and reticulation prominent. Flowers in axillary terminal or subradical bracteate cymes. Perianth shortly campanulate, 3-lobed, the lobes valvate. Stamens 6—12, 1-seriate, free or connate near the base; anthers extrorse, the cells parallel, the connective thick and sometimes produced. Ovary inferior, elongate, 4-celled; style-column thick; stigmas 3 or more, linear; ovules numerous, uniseriate in vertical rows from the axis, pendulous. Fruit an elongate, 4-gonous, septicidally 4-valved capsule. Seeds many, oblong, trigonous, rugose or pitted; albumen fleshy; embryo minute.

 APAMA SILIQUOSA, Lamk. Bragantia Wallichii, R. Br.; F. B. I. v. 73; Wt. Ic. t. 520.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forest undergrowth, up to 4,000 ft.

An erect shrub with grey bark, the very reticulate distichous leaves oblong lanceolate or oblanceolate, long-acuminate, up to 9 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, the erect capsules up to 4 in. long.

2. Apama Barberi, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1924, 386. W. Gháts, Kannikatti in Tinnevelly (Barber).

A shrub with branches covered with long corky lenticels, the leaves lanceolate, acuminate, with shorter side ribs and many more nerves than the former species, up to 8 in. long, 2 in. broad.

## 2. Aristolochia, Linn.

Shrubs or perennial herbs, prostrate or climbing. Leaves alternate, entire or lobed, often with a stipule-like leaf of an undeveloped bud in the axil; petiole dilated at base. Flowers solitary or fascicled or racemose in the leaf-axils; bracts often rather large. Perianth very variable in shape, size and colour, the tube inflated below, then contracted in a cylindrical neck, then expanded in a dilated oblique usually 2-lipped limb. Stamens usually 6, adnate to and around the stylecolumn; anther-cells 2, extrorse. Ovary inferior, more or less 6-celled; placenta parietal or intruded or connate in the axis; ovules very many, 2-seriate; style-column thick, divided above the anthers in a 3-6-lobed stigmatiferous disk. Fruit a septicidal capsule, 6-valved or splitting through the placentas. Seeds numerous, horizontal, often covered in part with the remains of the placenta; albumen fleshy; embryo minute, close to the hilum.

Stems prostrate; leaves glaucous, reniform or broadly ovate, cordate at base with a wide sinus, up to 3 in. in diam.; flowers solitary with a large orbicular bract, tube and limb 1-1.75 in. long; stigmatic lobes glandular hairy; seeds flattened but thickened, one side completely covered with round glands, 2 in. long

Stems twining; leaves green; flowers in racemes with small bracts; seeds winged:-Leaves very variable, linear to obovate-oblong or subpanduriform, rounded or 

1. Aristolochia bracteata, Retz; F. B. I. v. 75.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, on dry soils, especially black-

A perennial herb with greenish tube and dark purple lip to the perianth, which is linear with revolute margins, the capsule about 75 in. long, oblong-ellipsoid, 12-ribbed. A nauseously bitter plant, used as an anthelmintic. Vern. Hind. Kiramar; Ur. Paniri.

2. Aristolochia indica, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 75. A. lanceolata, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 1858.

All Districts, at low levels, on hedges and among bushes.

A perennial twiner with greenish-white tube, the lip darker and oblong, the capsules 1.5—2 in. long, ribbed. A bitter plant like the former, said to be an antidote to snake-bite. Vern. Hind, Isharmal; Tel. Isara.

3. Aristolochia Tagala, Cham. A. Roxburghiana, Klotzsch; F. B. I. v. 75. A. acuminata, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 771.

W. Gháts, S. Canara and Mysore to Tinnevelly, at rather low levels and chiefly on the E. side.

A climbing shrub with greenish-yellow tube and purple-brown lip to the flowers, the capsule very variable in size, up to 2 in.

long and long-stalked.

## Family CXXIII. PIPERACEAE.

Herbs or shrubs, usually aromatic, the branches often swollen at the nodes. Leaves alternate opposite or whorled, often gland-dotted; stipules none or 2 connate or adnate to the petiole. Flowers minute. hermaphrodite or unisexual, bracteate, in axillary or terminal catkinlike spikes. Perianth 0. Stamens 1-10, hypogynous or connate with the ovary at its base; anthers often jointed on the filaments, the cells dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary usually 1-celled with a single terminal orthotropous ovule, sometimes of 3-4 carpels; stigmas sessile, simple or penicillate. Fruit an indehiscent berry in species with 1 cell, otherwise of separate cocci or follicles. Seed adherent to the endocarp, globose ovoid or oblong; testa thin; albumen floury; embryo in a cavity remote from the hilum; cotyledons minute or obsolete; radicle superior.

Flowers dioecious; spikes solitary; fruit an ovoid or globose fairly large berry; 

Flowers hermaphrodite, very small:—
Spikes soft and thick, 3—7 together in umbels; berry trigonous, cuneiform; 

#### 1. Piper, Linn. (in part).

Shrubs, rarely herbs, erect or scandent, often glandular and aromatic, the branches with swollen nodes. Leaves entire, often unequal-sided; stipules various. Flowers minute, dioecious, rarely hermaphrodite, each in the axil of a bract with or without lateral bracteoles, arranged in spikes often very closely congested and usually opposite the leaves. Perianth 0. Stamens 2-4, rarely more; filaments short; anthers 2-celled, the cells distinct. Ovary 1-celled; ovule solitary; style short or 0; stigmas 2-5. Fruit a small ovoid or globose 1-seeded berry. Seeds usually globose; testa thin; albumen floury; radicle superior.

Flowers in cups probably formed of connate bracts making receptacles alternate on rather fleshy spikes; leaves elliptic-ovate or -lanceolate, 3-ribbed at base with another pair a little higher up, the nervules reticulate:-

Receptacles distant, stalked, recurved, the spikes glabrous, of very long

Receptacles close, sessile, globose, the spikes minutely pubescent or downy

2. trichostachyon. Flowers subtended by peltate orbicular bracts, of with 2 stamens, Q with sessile stigmas, usually 3-5-lobed; berries partly sunk in the rhachis:-

Leaves with prominent ribs from the base or near it: Fruiting spikes cylindric, thick; of spikes narrow:—

Leaves glabrous:-Fruiting spikes about 75 in. long, 25 in. thick; of spikes 1-3 in. long; upper leaves ovate or ovate-oblong, acute, often unequally cordate at base, Fruiting spikes up to 5 in. long, 5 in. thick, 3 spikes 3—6 in. long, very narrow; leaves ovate-oblong or ovate-cordate, petioled, 5-7-ribbed, glabrous

Leaves pubescent, especially on the nerves beneath and the lower surface when young, later nearly or quite glabrous, lanceolate, acuminate, very

unequally cordate with incurved auricles at base, 7-nerved, rugose or bullate, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, fruiting spikes 75 in. long, o spikes slender, long; leaves elliptic-ovate or -lanceolate, obtusely caudate-acuminate, acute at base, 3-5-ribbed with another pair a little higher up, shortly petioled 5. brachystachyum.

Fruiting spikes loose and often interrupted, of spikes narrow, clongate:-Leaves somewhat coriaceous, ovate, acute or obtusely acuminate, obtuse or subcordate at base, sparsely hirsute, 5—7-ribbed from the base or close to it, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad; Q spikes very slender when young, 2 in. Leaves very coriaceous, elliptic-ovate or ovate-oblong, obtusely acute or rarely acuminate, obtuse or shortly cordate at base, 3—5-ribbed from the base with another pair about 25 in. above it and usually alternate; all ribs as well as transverse nerves and reticulation very prominent, margin often recurved, up to 4.5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad; of spikes usually about 4 in. 

Flowers subtended by bracts adnate to the rhachis:-Bracts forming a short cup under the flowers  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{Q} \text{ or } \mathcal{L})$  the bracteoles in  $\mathcal{Q}$  in a hood-like ridge above; leaves coriaceous, broadly ovate (in  $\mathcal{J}$  often elliptic and narrow), acuminate, glabrous, 5—9-ribbed, 2—3 pairs of ribs basal, the others higher up, often impressed above, up to 9 in. long, 4-5 in. broad;  $\mathcal{J}$  spikes slender, usually 4—5 in. long,  $\mathcal{Q}$  slender, up to 6 in. long, the berries large,  $\mathcal{L}$  in diam or more ......9. nigrum. ·25 in. in diam. or more..... Bracts adnate to the rhachis with decurrent free membranous margins, confluent in the Q with the bracteoles above the ovary, under-surface crispate-hairy:—

Leaves membranous:-

Leaves beneath, also branchlets and petioles, pubescent with crisped hairs; leaves variable in shape, usually ovate or elliptic-ovate, abruptly acuminate, rounded or cordate, often unequally, at base, 5-7-ribbed from the base, two upper pairs a little higher and extending to the tip, up to 5 in. long, 3.5 in. broad; 3 spikes slender, 3 in., 9 to 6 in. or more 10. hymenophyllum.

Leaves beneath covered with round silvery scales, above often bullate; leaves variable in size, elliptic or lanceolate, acuminate, acute and often oblique at base, 5-7-ribbed, the upper pair rather higher up and reaching the tip, up to 6 in. long, 2.5 in. broad; of spikes very slender, 4—6 in., Q to 6 in. 11. argyrophyllum.

Leaves and branchlets quite glabrous, ovate or suborbicular, abruptly acuminate, rounded or cordate, sometimes obliquely, at base, 7-ribbed from the Leaves coriaceous, glabrous, broadly ovate or orbicular, rarely elliptic, abruptly acute, rounded or cordate at base, 5—7-ribbed quite from the base or the upper 2 a little above it, the nerves transverse and reticulate, joining the ribs, 

1. PIPER GALEATUM, Cas. DC.; F. B. I. v. 80. Muldera Wightiana,

Wt. Ic. t. 1943 (right-hand figure only). W. Gháts, Anamalai and Travancore Hills (Barber) and Courtallum Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight) in dense forest undergrowth at low levels.

A woody climber with pale corky branches much thickened at the nodes, often attaching itself like the ivy by rootlets as well as climbing with hanging branches. When rooting, the

leaves are larger, rounder and often cordate. The ripe berries are deep orange, 3 in. in diam. (Barber).

2 . Piper trichostachyon, Cas. DC.; F. B. I. v. 80. Muldera trichostachya, Miq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1944.

W. Gháts, Mysore, Coorg up to 2,500 ft., Wynaad in Malabar

(Barber); Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly (Wight). A very large woody climber, very similar to the last and similarly climbing and rooting, but the leaves usually more elliptic and smaller. The ripe berries are globose, yellow, and the of cupules waxy white (Cooke).

3. PIPER LONGUM, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 83. Chavica Roxburghii, Miq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1928.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, in evergreen forests in Malabar and Travancore, Anamalai Hills, at low levels; often cultivated. Long Pepper.

A slender undershrub, creeping and rooting below, the branches erect and subscandent. The small berries are red when ripe and afford a kind of pepper, and are also used in medicine. Vern. *Hind*. Pipalmal; *Tam*. Vettilai.

PIPER HAPNIUM, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. v. 86.
 W. Gháts in the hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly (Hamilton, Wight).

A slender climbing undershrub with warted puberulous branches rooting from lower joints, the leaves soft and wrinkled, their bases prominently incurved in rounded auricles.

5. Piper Brachystachyum, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 87, Chavica sphaero-stachya, Miq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1931.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, in Shola forest, above 5,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore. A much-branched woody climber, trailing up the branches of trees and over rocks and rooting like ivy. The slender rooting branches are tomentose and corky, and have quite small ovate leaves; those on the terete spreading branches may reach 6 in. long, 2 in. broad.

PIPER HOOKERI, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 88.
 Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Cleghorn).
 A climbing shrub, rooting ivy-like, with stout branches, the branchlets hirsute.

PIPER SCHMIDTH, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 89. P. arborescens? Wt. Ic. t. 1940 (right-hand figure only).
 W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 5,000 ft., in Shola forests (Schmidt, King and others).

A large and ornamental shrub, climbing on trees and covering their trunks and branches, the strongly reticulate nervation of the coriaceous leaves very conspicuous.

8. Piper Barberi, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1924, 387.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly (Barber).

A very little-known species at once remarkable for the absence of ribs to the leaves which are pinnately nerved instead.

- 9. PIPER NIGRUM, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 90.
  - W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 1,500-5,000 ft., in evergreen forest;
  - largely cultivated. Black or White pepper.
    - A stout glabrous climbing shrub, at first rooting at the nodes like ivy, the leaves small and cordate, gradually getting larger, later sending out strong flowering branches with large leaves and berries up to 25 in. diam. Dr. Barber would apparently separate a form with big berries but it hardly seems even of varietal rank. It probably arose from chance cultivated seeds.
- 10. Piper hymenophyllum, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 93; Wt. Ic. t. 1942. W. Gháts, from Mysore and the Nilgiris southwards, in evergreen forests, at 1,500-5,000 ft.
  - A slender climber at first rooting at the nodes and having broad cordate leaves, afterwards spreading and branching, narrower and often elliptic variable leaves, the berry small. Berries small, globose, or slightly oblong, 1-2 in. in diam.
- 11. PIPER ARGYROPHYLLUM, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 93; Wt. Ic. t. 1941.
- W. Gháts, Coorg and Nilgiris southwards, in evergreen forest
  - and Shola, 1,500-7,000 ft. A slender climber similar to the last (in some cases more slender) and difficult sometimes to separate from it, for crisped hairs occur to some extent in this and white scales may sometimes be found in that as also in P. Wightii. Berries globose, 2-3 in. in diam. A small-leaved form (var. 2 or var. 5 of the F. B. I.) may perhaps have to be separated when better
- 12. PIPER ATTENUATUM, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. v. 92; Wt. Ic. t. 1933. P. sylvestre, Wt. Ic. t. 1937; F. B. I. v. 93. P. trioicum, Roxb.;
  - N. Circars, forests of the hills of Vizagapatam and Godavari Wt. Ic. tt. 1935, 1936. at 2,000-3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Malabar and Nilgiris to Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests at low levels.
    - A slender climber with often somewhat zigzag branchlets and ovate-cordate leaves, the berries globose, very small. This seems to be the Circar species which Roxburgh cultivated at Samulcotta as true pepper.
  - 13. Piper Wighth, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 94; Wt. Ic. t. 1939.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 6,000 ft. in Shola forests. A stout climber with smooth stems, at first rooting ivy-like on trees and with small cordate leaves, later branching out and spreading, the leaves rather variable but always prominently reticulate, the berries small with prominent stigmas. White scales, as in P. argyrophyllum, are often found on the undersurface of the leaves, but this is a much stouter plant.
- P. Betle, Linn., is the Betel pepper, a perennial Malay creeper extensively cultivated in hot damp localities for its leaves (Pán) which are rolled up with portions of areca nut, lime, catechu, cardamoms and other ingredients, sold in shops and universally chewed. The plants are cultivated in special trellised gardens.

#### 2. Heckeria, Kunth.

Shrubs, usually with succulent branches. Leaves large, long-petioled, orbicular or peltate, cordate at base, the petiole sheathing. Flowers very minute, hermaphrodite, in very close slender cylindrical spikes in pedunculate umbels in the axils of the leaves; bracts pedicelled, peltate. Perianth 0. Stamens 2—3, at the base of the ovary; anthers very small, 4-valvate. Ovary free; stigmas 3. Fruit a very small indehiscent, usually trigonous berry. Seeds adherent to the pericarp; albumen floury.

HECKERIA SUBPELTATA, Kunth. Piper subpeltatum, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 95. Pothomorphe subpeltata, Miq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1925.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests, up to 3,000 ft. A large herbaceous shrub, often 3—5 ft. high with orbicular acute, deeply cordate leaves palmately nerved and reticulate, up to 12 in. in diam., the spikes often 5—6 in. long, 3—7 together in the umbel, the fruits trigonous.

## 3. Peperomia, Ruiz & Pav.

Annual or perennial usually succulent herbs. Leaves alternate, opposite or whorled, entire, pellucid-punctate; stipules 0. Flowers minute, hermaphrodite, sessile or sunk in the rhachis, erect, in terminal or leaf-opposed, solitary or panicled, rarely axillary spikes; bracts sessile, often peltately attached. Perianth 0. Stamens 2; filaments very short; anther-cells confluent. Ovary 1-celled, obtuse acute or beaked; ovule solitary, erect; stigma lateral or terminal, usually penicillate. Fruit a minute, indehiscent, almost dry nutlet, the pericarp very thin. Seed minute, testa membranous; albumen floury.

Leaves coriaceous, small, 2-3 in. in diam., rarely more, pale when dry, the ribs and nerves invisible:-

Leaves very thin, membranous when dry, broadly ovate-deltoid, acute, 5-7-ribbed, opposite and alternate, about 1 in. in diam.; spikes very slender, opposite the leaves, the nutlets ribbed and reticulate......

1. Peperomia reflexa, A. Dietr.; F. B. I. v. 99; Wt. Ic. t. 1923, 1. N. Circars, in Ganjam and up to 4,000 ft. on Mahendragiri; W. Gháts in all Districts from the Coimbatore Hills and Nilgiris southwards, usually above 4,000 ft.

A succulent tufted herb growing epiphytically on tree-trunks.

2. PEPEROMIA HEYNEANA, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 99.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 6,000 ft. (Meebold), Ootacamund in Nilgiris (G. King). A small epiphytic herb with emarginate leaves, sometimes up

to 1 in. long, but usually much smaller.

3. Peperomia Thomsoni, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 97. P. dindigulensis,

Wt. Ic. t. 1921, not of Miq. (not good).

W. Gháts, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, at rather low levels. A large-leaved (comparatively) succulent epiphyte rooting in moss on the branches of trees.

4. Peperomia portulacoides, A. Dietr.; F. B. I. v. 98; Wt. Ic. t.

1922, 2. P. courtallensis, Miq.; Wt. Ic. t. 1923, 2. W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, Avalanché in Nilgiris, probably over 5,000 ft.

An erect glabrous succulent herb, growing on rocks and tree-

5. Peperomia Wightiana, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 98; Wt. Ic. t. 1924 (except pubescence).

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys above 4,000 ft.

A small slender succulent herb, growing on moist rocks and on the branches of trees. The tips of the leaves are sometimes

6. Peperomia dindigulensis, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 98. P. Heyneana, Wt.

Ic. t. 1922, 1, not of Miq. N. Circars, Bison Hill, Godavari (Barber); Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills of Salem, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, from Malabar southwards at about 2,000-4,000 ft.

An erect, rather large, succulent herb, growing on wet rocks or on tree branches, conspicuous by its pubescence.

7. Peperomia pellucida, H. B. & K. Madras, a weed in gardens; W. Coast, at Trevandrum, introduced and clearly run wild, a native of S. America.

A slender succulent herb with weak procumbent stems.

# Family CXXIV. CHLORANTHACEAE.

Herbs, shrubs or trees, usually aromatic. Leaves opposite, usually toothed, the petioles often connate in a sheath; stipules small, subulate, usually on the margin of the sheath. Flowers in terminal or pseudoaxillary spikes heads or panicles, unisexual or hermaphrodite from the of and Q cohering supported by a bract; of flowers without perianth, Q also or with a 3-toothed limb adnate to the ovary. Stamens 1 or 3, connate; filaments very short and thick; anthers 2-celled, or if 3, side ones 1-celled. Ovary 1-celled; ovule 1, orthotropous, pendulous; style very short. Fruit a small, ovoid or globose, drupe, exocarp fleshy, endocarp crustaceous. Seed pendulous; testa membranous; albumen copious, fleshy; embryo minute; cotyledons divaricate or scarcely distinct; radicle inferior.

#### 1. Chloranthus, Swartz.

Perennial herbs or shrubs, the stems articulate at the nodes. Flowers in terminal simple or panicled spikes, hermaphrodite, the of and Q connate on a bract; perianth 0. Stamens 1 or 3 confluent; if 3 the central anther 2-celled, the side ones 1-celled. Ovary with subsessile truncate stigma.

CHLORANTHUS BRACHYSTACHYS, Blume; F. B. I. v. 100. Sarcandra

chloranthoides, Gardn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1946.

W. Gháts, hills of Malabar, Bolumpatti Valley, Anamalais, Pulneys and Tinnevelly at 2,000—5,000 ft., in moist forests.

A small bush reaching 4 ft. in height, the lanceolate leaves coarsely spinous-serrate, reaching 7 in. long, the single stamen with large thickened connective and filament, the berries globose, purplish-black.

## Family CXXV. MYRISTICACEAE.

Evergreen tree, often stellately tomentose. Leaves alternate, entire, often pellucid-punctate; stipules 0. Flowers small, dioecious, regular, in axillary or lateral panicles cymes umbels or fascicles, rarely in racemes; bracteoles persistent or caducous. Perianth gamophyllous, inferior, with 3, sometimes 2 or 4, lobes valvate in bud. Androecium in σ' flowers of 3 or more extrorse anthers connate in a sessile or stipitate column, ring or disk; anthers 2-celled, linear or ovate. Ovary in φ flowers superior, free, 1-celled; ovule 1 basal, erect, anatropous; stigma capitate discoid or lobed. Fruit more or less fleshy, splitting usually into 2, rarely 4, valves. Seeds erect, enclosed in a thin or fleshy, entire or lacerate, coloured, often aromatic arillus; testa usually thick, albumen copious, hard, ruminate; embryo very small, basal; cotyledons divaricate, flat or crumpled; radicle short, inferior.

## 1. Gymnacranthera, Warb.

Trees. Leaves alternate, entire, evergreen, pergamaceous. Flowers small, dioecious, of in fascicles in axillary panicles, Q in short axillary racemes, bracts deciduous. Perianth 3—4-lobed. Androecium sessile, the connectives combined in an oblong thick column; anthers 6—12, elongate, the lower parts adnate to the column by their backs,

the apices free, often inflexed over the column. Ovary ovoid; stigmas sessile, connate, scarcely bilobed. Fruit globose or ovoid; pericarp thick, fleshy; arillus laciniate almost to the base. Seed conforms to the fruit; testa woody; albumen ruminate; cotyledons divaricate, connate at base.

GYMNACRANTHERA CANARICA, Warb. Monog. Myrist. 368. Myristica canarica, King, Ann. Calc. iii. 307, t. 138. M. Farquhariana, Wall.;

F. B. I. v. 108 in part; Bedd. Fl. t. 270.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara southwards to Travancore, in evergreen

forests at low levels about 1,000 ft. alt.

A very large evergreen tree with oblong leaves up to 10 in. long, 4 in. broad, glaucous beneath. The fruit is globose about 1 in. in diam. Bark smooth, brown; wood yellowish-grey, coarse, moderately hard, of little value. The seeds can be used in the making of candles, as they contain much fat. Vern. Kan. Pindi; Mal. Undai pánu.

#### 2. Myristica, Linn.

Trees. Leaves alternate, entire, evergreen, pergamaceous or chartaceous. Flowers small, dioecious, in cymes umbels or fascicles, from the axils of the leaves or of the scars of fallen leaves, the peduncles usually thick; bracts deciduous; bracteoles persistent, usually oblique, at the base of the perianth. Perianth 3-lobed. Androecium stalked, the filaments and connectives connate in a column usually produced beyond the anthers; anthers 12—30 elongate. Ovary ovoid; stigmas connate, 2-lobed. Fruit large, ovoid or oblong; pericarp thick, succulent, rarely leathery; arillus laciniate. Seed conform to the fruit; testa hard; albumen ruminate; cotyledons connate.

Flowers urceolate in panicled cymes, the peduncles slender; Q larger than d; leaves rather thin:—

1. malabarica. Flowers ovoid, in short cymes or fascicles on thick woody peduncles; leaves thick

and large with prominent nerves:-

1. Myristica Malabarica, Lamk.; F. B. I. v. 103; Bedd. Fl. t. 269; King Ann. Calc. t. 109; Warb. Monog. Myrist. t. xii. 1.

W. Gháts, in evergreen forests from S. Canara southwards, at

low levels up to 1,000 ft.

A tree reaching 50 ft. in height and a diam. of 1.5 ft. Bark greenish-black, smooth; wood yellowish-brown tinged with grey, moderately hard, not durable and of little use. Vern. Kan. Kanagi; Tam. Patthiri; Mal. Ponnam pánu.

2. Myristica magnifica, Bedd. Fl. t. 268; F. B. I. v. 104; King Ann.

Calc. t. 119.

W. Gháts, Travancore and parts of Tinnevelly and Canara (Bourdillon), especially common about Kolaturpoli, in swampy

ground in evergreen forests.

A lofty tree reaching 90—100 ft. in height (Cooke), 120 ft. (Bourdillon), often buttressed and furnished with numerous aërial roots, which start from the trunk at 10—20 ft. above ground and spread along the ground, rising in loops above it. Bark purplish-black, smooth; wood yellowish-white, soft and perishable. Vern. *Mal.* Kottha pánu.

3. MYRISTICA BEDDOMEI, King Ann. Calc. 291, t. 118. M. laurifolia, Hook. f. & Th., var. lanceolata, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 103. M. laurifolia, Bedd. Ic. t. 267 fruit only (flowering branch is probably M.

malabarica).

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests, up to 5,000 ft.

Wild Nutmeg.

A large tree reaching 90 ft. in height, with a diameter of about 2.5 ft. Bark blackish-green, rather smooth; wood yellowish brown, moderately hard, perishable and of no great value. Vern. Kan. Jajikai; Mar. Jayaphal; Tam. Kathu jathikai; Mal. Pattha pánu.

4. Myristica contorta, Warb. Monog. Myrist. 507, t. 16 part. W. Gháts in S. Canara and Malabar up to 3,000 ft., in evergreen forest; Lower Pulneys (Bourne).

A large tree, apparently only really separable from M. Beddomei

by the fruit, and quite doubtfully distinct from it.

M. fragrans, Houtt., is the Nutmeg tree, native of the E. Moluccas and cultivated more or less throughout Malaya. In India it is only found as a specimen tree in a few localities, chiefly Botanic Gardens like Barliyar, where the climate is sufficiently hot and moist. The "nutmeg" is given by the large seed, and the arillus outside it gives the spice known as "mace."

## 3. Knema, Lour.

Trees. Leaves alternate, evergreen, coriaceous or chartaceous. Flowers small, dioecious, & in fascicles on thick peduncles from the axils of leaves or of the scars of fallen leaves, & similar but fewer and rather longer; bracts deciduous; pedicles bracteolate. Perianth 3-lobed. Androecium usually stalked; filaments and connectives connate in a peltate disk; anthers 8—20, free, attached stellately to the margin of the disk, dehiscing downwards. Ovary ovoid; style short, thick;

stigmas 2, laciniate on the margins. Fruit ovoid or oblong; pericarp thick, fleshy, tomentose; arillus laciniate at the apex only. Seed conform to the fruit; albumen ruminate; cotyledons divaricate or subcrect.

KNEMA ATTENUATA, Warb. Myristica attenuata, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 110; King Ann. Calc. t. 152. M. corticosa, Bedd. Fl. t. 271, not of

W. Gháts, from S. Canara southwards, in evergreen forests up to

A moderate-sized tree with oblong-lanceolate acuminate leaves up to 8 in. long, 2-3 in. broad, prominently and regularly nerved, glaucous and rusty pubescent beneath, the flowers stellately pubescent, the fruit ovoid, 1.5 in. long, the aril of a brilliant crimson. Bark greenish-black, smooth; wood pale brown, moderately hard, of little value. Vern. Kan. Rukt maru; Tam. Chora patthiri; Mal. Chora panu.

## Family CXXVI. LAURACEAE.

Erect aromatic trees or shrubs, or (Cassytha) leafless twining parasites, usually evergreen. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite or subopposite, entire, stipules 0. Flowers regular, small hermaphrodite or dioecious, in axillary or lateral cymes clusters racemes or panicles, sometimes in umbellules; bracts deciduous, often involucrate, sometimes 0. Perianth usually inferior; tube short, often enlarging in fruit; lobes usually 6, sometimes more, sometimes only 4, in 2 series, equal or unequal, deciduous or persistent in fruit, sometimes enlarged as are the pedicels. Stamens usually a multiple of the perianth-lobes, in 2-4 series on the tube; filaments of the inner rows usually, of the outer sometimes with a pair of glands attached or alongside; anthers erect, 2—4-celled, the cells dehiscing by upcurved, at length deciduous, valvular lids, the 4th row of stamens often reduced to glands: in Q flowers the stamens replaced by staminodes, usually linear or clavate, the inner biglandular as in o. Ovary sessile at the base of the perianth-tube, 1-celled; ovule solitary, anatropous, pendulous from the top of the cell. Fruit a dry or fleshy berry or drupe, naked or enclosed in the perianth-tube or supported by the more or less enlarged perianthtube and lobes, the pedicel frequently thickened. Seed pendulous; testa membranous; albumen 0; cotyledons plano-convex, fleshy; radicle minute, superior.

Trees or shrubs:-

Stamens of 3rd row, when present, with extrorse anthers:-

Anthers 2-celled:-

Fruit not surrounded by the enlarged perianth-tube:-

Leaves opposite or subopposite rarely alternate, usually 3- or more-ribbed;

fruiting perianth enlarged into a cupule embracing the fruit 4. Cinnamomum.

#### 1. Cryptocarya, R. Br.

Evergreen trees or shrubs. Leaves usually alternate, penninerved or 3-ribbed, more or less coriaceous. Flowers small, hermaphrodite, in axillary or subterminal pedunculate panicles; bracts and bracteoles present but often early caducous. Perianth-tube turbinate or ovoid, ultimately narrowed at the top; lobes 6, in two rows, subequal. Stamens 9 perfect, those of the 1st row introrse opposite the 3 outer perianth lobes, those of the 2nd row introrse opposite the 3 inner lobes, within and alternate with the stamens, 6 stipitate glands, then those of the 3rd row extrorse opposite the stamens of the 1st row, then, slightly within these, 3 stipitate cordate staminodes opposite the stamens of the 2nd row; all stamens 2-celled, the connective often produced. Ovary sessile at the bottom of the perianth-tube and enclosed in it; style shortly exserted; stigma obtuse or capitate. Fruit drupaceous, hardened or fleshy, smooth or ribbed, enclosed in the accrescent perianth-tube; pericarp membranous or thinly crustaceous, more or less free from the perianth-tube. Seed with a membranous testa, often not separable from the pericarp; cotyledons thick, fleshy; radicle minute.

Flowers in spreading terminal or axillary panicles:—

Flowers in short congested axillary or terminal tawny-tomentose panicles:-Leaves elliptic- or ovate-oblong, obtuse or slightly acute at apex, rounded at base, smooth and dull above, glaucous beneath and reticulate, the nerves 5-7 pairs often pubescent; up to 4 in. long, 2.25 in. broad; berry ovoid, black, 

Leaves ovate obovate or oblong, sometimes almost orbicular, obtuse or emarginate at apex, obtuse at base, shining above, subglaucous beneath, the transverse nervules prominent, the nerves 5-8 pairs; sometimes tomentose, up to 4 in. long, 2.5 in. broad; berry oblong, 1 in. long, 3-4 in broad, smooth

1. CRYPTOCARYA ANAMALAYANA, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 126. C. sp.; F. B. I. v. 121.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, at 3,000 ft. (Bedd., Barber).

A tree with rather thin leaves with prominent transverse nervules and fulvous tomentose branchlets and inflorescence.

2. Cryptocarya Beddomei, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 127.

W. Gháts, S. Canara plains (Beddome); Udumanparai in Anamalais (Barber).

A tree with coriaceous leaves.

3. Cryptocarya Bourdillonii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 127. C. Wightiana, Hook. f.; F. B. I. iv. 120 in part, not of Thw.

W. Gháts, Kolaturpoli, Travancore, up to 500 ft. in evergreen wet forest (Bourdillon), S. Tinnevelly (Beddome).

A tall tree, probably in part C. Wightiana, Bourd. Trav. Trees 296. The main nerves are smooth or slightly raised above, the midrib impressed, the transverse nervules subparallel. In young shoots the leaves may reach a large size, more than 12 in. long and 6 in. broad, with a thick petiole of 2 in.

4. CRYPTOCARYA LAWSONI, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 127.

W. Gháts, Kundahs Sholas in Nilgiris above 5,000 ft. (Lawson,

Gamble); hills of Tinnevelly (Beddome, Tadulingam).

A lofty tree in Tinnevelly (Beddome); in Nilgiris a stout not very tall one. The main nerves are short and curved, smooth above, the midrib impressed, the transverse nervules merged in the reticulation.

5. CRYPTOCARYA NEILGHERRENSIS, Meissn. C. Stocksii, Hook. f.; F. B.

I. v. 120 in part, not of Meissn.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris at about 6,000 ft. (Wight, Gamble), Ana-

malais at 2,500 ft. (Beddome), in Shola forest.

A large tree (Beddome). The midrib and main nerves of the leaves are impressed above, the branchlets tawny-pubescent and lenticellate.

6. CRYPTOCARYA STOCKSII, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 120 in part.

W. Gháts, Canara to the Pulneys, Anamalais and hills of Travancore at about 4,000-5,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore

(Talbot).

A large or medium-sized tree with very coriaceous leaves and prominently lenticellate branches. The midrib and main nerves are much impressed above, and the margins often reflexed, the branchlets prominently lenticellate.

## 2. Apollonias, Nees.

Evergreen trees. Leaves scattered, chiefly near the ends of the branchlets, penninerved. Flowers very small, hermaphrodite, in axillary or subterminal racemes, the peduncles and pedicels slender. Perianth-tube short; lobes 6, in two rows, subequal. Stamens 9 perfect, those of the 1st and 2nd rows introrse, opposite the perianth-lobes, those of the 3rd row opposite the first and extrorse, with a pair of stalked glands at their bases, those of the 4th row reduced to ovate or cordate staminodes, all stamens 2-celled only. Ovary sessile, stigma depressed-capitate. Fruit drupaceous, globose or ovoid, seated on the slightly enlarged perianth lobes.

Apollonias Arnottii, Nees; F. B. I. v. 121; Wt. Ic. t. 1819; Bedd.

Fl. t. 291.

W. Gháts, forests of Tinnevelly and Travancore (Wight, Barber, Lawson); Nilgiris (Gardner), in evergreen forest, at 2,500—5,000

ft. rare. A moderate-sized tree with narrowly lanceolate long acuminate leaves, similar to those of *Phoebe lanceolata*, which has 4-celled anthers and stouter peduncles and pedicels. Vern *Mal*. Chenthanam.

## 3. Beilschmiedia, Nees.

Evergreen trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate or opposite, usually coriaceous, penni-nerved, venose-reticulate. Flowers small, hermaphrodite, axillary lateral or subterminal, in racemes or panicles. Perianth-tube short; lobes 6, subequal, deciduous. Stamens 9 perfect, those of the 1st and 2nd rows introrse, those of the 3rd row extrorse, staminodes of the 4th row cordate or ovoid, stipitate; glands 6, stipitate, nearly as large as the staminodes, between the 2nd and 3rd row of stamens; all anthers 2-celled. Ovary sessile, free from the perianth, attenuate into the style; stigma obtuse. Fruit an oblong ovoid or globose berry, the pedicels not or only slightly thickened. Seed with a membranous testa; cotyledons fleshy, often with a rudimentary dissepiment, sometimes ruminate.

Leaf-buds elongate, perulate, the scales lanceolate; leaves usually opposite, elliptic-lanceolate, obtusely acute or acuminate, acute at base, shining, glabrous, main nerves 10—12, the reticulation prominent, raised and areolate, up to 6 in. long, 2.5 in. broad; panicles axillary and terminal, with slender peduncles and pedicels, not bracteate; berry ovoid, up to 1.25 in. long, in diam. 7 in. smooth, purple

1. Beilschmiedia Roxburghiana, Nees; F. B. I. v. 121; Wt. Ic. t. 1828. N. Circars, hills of E. Gháts on Mahendragiri, the Palkondas and in Rampa, from Ganjam to the Godavari, at 1,500—4,000 ft. (Gamble).

A large or moderate-sized tree with coriaceous leaves, the nerves and reticulation all prettily raised on the upper surface. Wood white, moderately hard, even-grained. Vern. *Hind*. Konhaia.

2. Beilschmiedia Bourdilloni, Brandis Ind. Trees 528. B. fagifolia, Bedd. Fl. t. 263, not of Nees.

W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, in evergreen forests up to 1.500 ft.

A large tree, the rather soft leaves both opposite and alternate. Bark dark green; wood pale brown, hard and heavy, but not used. Vern. *Mal.* Mora Kutthi.

3. Beilschmiedia Wightii, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 124. Haasia Wightii, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1831; Bedd. Fl. t. 298.

W. Gháts, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, up to 4,000 ft. in evergreen forests.

A large tree with characteristic perulate buds and flowers in panicles 4 in. long, the ovary glabrous. Bark brown, rough; wood hard, greyish-white with a silvery grain.

#### 4. Cinnamomum, Blume.

Evergreen trees or shrubs, usually with aromatic bark. Leaves opposite or sometimes alternate, usually ribbed from near the base. Flowers small, hermaphrodite, in axillary lateral or subterminal cymes or panicles, in the latter case the branches usually ending in dichasia with the middle flower largest. Perianth-tube short, funnel-shaped, enlarged in fruit; lobes 6, subequal, persistent or partly truncate or deciduous in fruit. Stamens 9 perfect, those of the 1st and 2nd rows opposite the perianth-lobes introrse and eglandular, those of the 3rd row opposite the 1st row extrorse and bearing on the filaments 2 usually stipitate glands; staminodes of the 4th row opposite the 2nd row usually cordate and stipitate; anthers 4-celled. Ovary sessile at the bottom of the perianth-tube, narrowed into the rather thick style; stigma discoid or obscurely 3-lobed. Fruit a berry seated on the usually cup-shaped enlarged perianth-tube, the lobes persistent deciduous or sometimes truncate near their middle. Seed conform to the fruit; testa membranous; cotyledons fleshy.

Leaves opposite or only sometimes alternate:—
Flowers few only, axillary, peduncles and pedicels slender, usually long:—

Flowers ·2 in. long, fulvous-tomentose, in rather short fulvous racemes, often reduced to threes, the filaments villous; leaves ovate, acute or acuminate, acute at base, 3-ribbed from about 2 in. above the base, tawny villous beneath when young, sparsely so when old, up to 3 in. long, 1.4 in. broad...3. travancoricum. Flowers many, in axillary or terminal panicles:-

Leaves glabrous:-Panicles long, many-branched, with long peduncles and pedicels, the flower-

buds globose, grey-pubescent, perianth 1-2 in long:-

Leaves large, oblong or elliptic-oblong or oblong-lanceolate, acute or acuminate, often sphacelate, 3-ribbed from at or a little above the base, the side ribs running almost to the apex, the transverse nervules horizontal and Leaves moderate-sized, ovate or elliptic-ovate or ovate-lanceolate, shining

Leaves 3-5-ribbed from a little above the base, the chief side ribs ending about three-fourths up, nervules irregularly reticulate, the base Leaves 3-5-ribbed from about 3 in. above the base, ovate, obtuse at apex, attenuate at base into the long petiole, the ribs faint, the side ones ending about half-way up, nervules obscure, but 2—3 pairs of faint 

Panicles short and compact, but long-peduncled, up to about 3 in. in length, fulvous tomentose, pedicels short, perianth 25 in. long; leaves broadly ovate, obtuse or acute, rounded or acute at base, often glaucous beneath, 3-5sometimes 7-ribbed from ·3 to ·5 in. above the base, a few nerves both from the midrib and side ribs, reticulation areolate; up to 4 in. long, 3.5 in. Panicles long-peduncled, but comparatively few-flowered, up to 5 in. long in all, the flowers elongate, with the thickened perianth up to 5 in. long; leaves elliptic-ovate or oblong, obtuse, narrowed at base into the broad petiole, 3-5-ribbed, the 3 inner from nearly 5-1 in. above the base, reaching nearly to the apex, the middle two with nerves; up to nearly 

Leaves hairy, at any rate on the under surface:-Flowers small, 2 in long with pedicels, the buds globose, yellowish-tawny tomentose, in panicles up to 4 in long; leaves elliptic-oblong or ovate-lanceolate, acute or acuminate, 3-nerved from at or a little above the base and the side ribs nearly to the apex, when young glaucous and yellowish-pubescent beneath, afterwards glabrous; up to 7 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, Flowers rather large, 3 in long, usually in threes on the branches of densely fulvous-tomentose panicles 1—4 in long; leaves also when young densely fulvous-tomentose on both sides, less so when old, opposite or alternate, ovate or oblong, sometimes lanceolate or even orbicular, obtuse or acute, 3-5-ribbed from near the base, the side ribs to the apex, often joined to

the centre ones by nerves; up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad.....10. Perrottetii. Leaves all alternate, thinly coriaceous, ovate or orbicular, caudate-acuminate, acute or rounded at base, glabrous, 3—5-ribbed, the side ribs prolonged to the apex, 3—5 in. long, 1-5—3 in. broad, shortly petioled; flowers minute, in short axillary 

1. CINNAMOMUM GRACILE, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 133.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 2,500—5,000 ft.

A small straggling shrub, the berry apparently depressed

2. CINNAMOMUM RIPARIUM, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 128. W. Gháts, from below Coorg to the Anamalais and N. Travancore, on river banks in the low country (Bourdillon). A graceful little tree with bright blue shining ovoid berry, 5 in. long (C. gracile, Bourd. Trav. Trees 302, not of Hook. f.).

3. CINNAMOMUM TRAVANCORICUM, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 128.
W. Gháts, evergreen forests near Chimunji, Travancore, at

4,000 ft. and upwards (Bourdillon).

- A small or medium-sized tree reaching 30 ft. in height and 10 in. in diam. of trunk. Berry ovoid, purplish-blue, 5 in. long (C. sulphuratum, Bourd. Trav. Trees 302, not of Nees).
- 4. CINNAMOMUM INERS, Reinw; F. B. I. v. 130; Wt. Ic. tt. 122 bis, 130. W. Gháts from Mysore and Coorg to the Anamalais and Travancore, in evergreen forests, up to about 4,000 ft.; Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills of Salem and Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly. A large or medium-sized tree with coriaceous shining long leaves and ovoid berry, the fruiting perianth not ribbed.
- 5. CINNAMOMUM ZEYLANICUM, Blume; F. B. I. v. 131; Wt. Ic. t. 123. W. Gháts from S. Canara southwards, at low levels, sometimes cultivated. Cinnamon.

A moderate-sized tree. Bark brown, rough; wood light red, moderately hard, somewhat scented but not used. When cultivated for its bark it is usually, as in Ceylon, grown in coppice, hence the shape of the leaves in specimens is rather variable. Berry ovoid, dark purple, the persistent perianth ribbed. Vern. Hind. Dalchini; Tam. Karruwa; Tel. Sanalinga; Mal. Karuva.

- 6. CINNAMOMUM LITSEAEFOLIUM, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 133.
  W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly (Tadulingam), without locality (Beddome), Coimbatore (Brandis).
  A tree with long-petioled leaves obscurely ribbed and nerved.
- 7. CINNAMOMUM WIGHTII, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 132.

W. Gháts, Coorg, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, in Shola forests, above 6,000 ft., most common at the highest levels as about Ootacamund.

A stout tree with very coriaceous leaves and ovate-oblong berries supported by a truncate cup; these berries are frequently diseased and then become globose.

8. CINNAMOMUM MACROCARPUM, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 133. C. iners, Wt. Ic. t. 130?

W. Gháts, Sispara and other places in Nilgiris at about 6,000 ft. (Lawson, Gamble); Iyerpadi in Coimbatore (Barber).

A tree with coriaceous shining leaves and large globose-oblong berry reaching nearly 1 in. in length and supported by a large thickened cup and pedicel. The 4th row staminodes usually bear glands like the 3rd row stamens.

9. CINNAMOMUM SULPHURATUM, Nees; F. B. I. v. 132.

W. Gháts, Coorg and Mysore to N. Coimbatore, Nilgiris and

Anamalais, in Shola forests at about 4,000-6,000 ft.

A tree with pale yellowish branches and leaves, the ellipsoid berry 5—75 in. long, seated on the persistent perianth with spreading lobes. Specimens from high levels have usually shorter and more rounded leaves.

10. CINNAMOMUM PERROTTETH, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 134.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, in Shola woods, above 6,000 ft.

A small tree or (perhaps) shrub with coriaceous leaves, often concave when old, much fulvous tomentose on leaves and branchlets. Berry ovoid, about '5 in. long, seated on the perianth cup with reflexed lobes.

11. CINNAMOMUM CAUDATUM, Nees; F. B. I. v. 134.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. (Gamble), hills of Vizagapatam, at 4,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington).

A small tree, the berries ovoid about '5 in. long, seated on

the enlarged perianth-tube, the lobes recurved. The inner perianth-lobes are smaller than the outer.

C. Camphora, Nees, is the Camphor tree of Japan, sometimes cultivated in India, though scarce in Madras.

## 5. Alseodaphne, Nees.

Evergreen trees. Leaves alternate, often crowded at the ends of the branchlets, penninerved. Flowers small, hermaphrodite, in axillary or subterminal panicles. Perianth-tube short, continuous with the pedicel; lobes 6, subequal, or the 3 outer rather the smaller. Stamens 9 perfect, those of the 1st and 2nd rows opposite the perianth-lobes, introrse, those of the 3rd row opposite the 1st row, extrorse, with 2 rather large glands on the inner bases of the filaments, staminodes of the 4th row opposite the 2nd row, cordate, stipitate; anthers all 4-celled. Ovary ovoid or globose; style slender; stigma peltate. Fruit an ellipsoid or globose berry seated on the top of the enlarged thick fleshy often warted peduncle, the perianth-lobes scarcely enlarged and usually persistent. Seed conform to the fruit; cotyledons fleshy.

1. Alseodaphne semecarpifolia, Nees; F. B. I. v. 144; Wt. Ic. t.

1826.

W. Gháts, S. Canara and Malabar, in evergreen forests, at

rather low levels.

A large or moderate-sized tree with many branches, the leaves elliptic-oblong or obovate, rounded or emarginate at apex, cuneate at base, often glaucous beneath, minutely reticulate, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad; peduncles in fruit rough; berry ellipsoid, smooth, 5—75 in. long. Bark yellowish-brown; wood dark brown, moderately hard, said to be useful.

Var. angustifolia, Meissn. Leaves elliptic-oblong or lanceolate,

glaucous beneath.

W. Gháts, lower Pulney Hills (Bourne).

Var. parvifolia, Hook. f.; Wt. Ic. t. 1827; Bedd. Fl. t. 297. Leaves obovate or oblanceolate, 2—3 in. long, very glaucous beneath and black when dry, the panicles short, the fruit large.

W. Ghats, Pulney Hills, Sirumalai hills of Madara and Hills

of Travancore at about 4,000-5,000 ft.

## 6. Machilus, Nees.

Evergreen trees, leaf-buds perulate with imbricate scales. Leaves alternate, penninerved, reticulate. Flowers small or moderate-sized, hermaphrodite, in panicles from upper axils. Perianth-tube usually

short; lobes 6, subequal or the outer slightly the smaller, persistent, spreading or reflexed in fruit. Stamens 9 perfect, those of the 1st and 2nd row opposite the perianth-lobes, introrse, with long filaments, those of the 3rd row opposite the 1st row, extrorse, with slender filaments and a pair of stipitate glands at their base; staminodes of the 4th row opposite the 2nd row, cordate, stipitate; anthers 4-celled. Ovary sessile, style slender; stigma small or discoid. Fruit a globose or oblong berry seated on the scarcely enlarged perianth, whose lobes are reflexed, pedicel not enlarged. Seed conform to the fruit; testa thin.

Machilus Macrantha, Nees; F. B. I. v. 140; Wt. Ic. t. 1824; Bedd. Fl. t. 264. *M. glaucescens*, Wt. Ic. t. 1825.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, about 4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington); Deccan, in hill country as at Nandidrúg, Mysore, and the forests of North Coimbatore; W. Gháts, in most Districts from S. Canara and Coorg to Nilgiris Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests up to 7,000 ft. A large evergreen tree with flowers in subterminal panicles. Leaves variable in size from elliptic-oblong, rounded at both ends, to oblong-lanceolate acute, glaucous beneath. Flowers also in size variable as represented in Wight's two plates. Berry black, globose, 5—75 in. in diam. Bark pale brown; wood reddish-white darkening on exposure, rough, used for planking and other purposes. Vern. Tam. Kolla mávu; Kan. Kurma; Mal. Urávu; Badaga Kroma.

## 7. Phoebe, Nees.

Evergreen shrubs or trees. Leaves alternate, often fascicled at the ends of the branchlets, penninerved; leaf-buds ovate or lanceolate with few scales. Flowers hermaphrodite or rarely polygamous, in axillary or subterminal panicles. Perianth-tube short; lobes 6, subequal, erect and accrescent in fruit and clasping its base. Stamens 9, perfect, those of the 1st and 2nd row introrse eglandular, the filaments slender, those of the 3rd row opposite the 1st row extrorse with 2 large stipitate glands at their base; staminodes of the 4th row opposite the 2nd row, cordate or sagittate, stipitate; anthers 4-celled. Ovary sessile, usually globose; style slender; stigma discoid. Fruit an ovoid ellipsoid or globose berry, seated on the erect and persistent enlarged perianth-lobes. Seed conform to the fruit; testa thin; cotyledons fleshy.

1. Phoebe lanceolata, Nees; F. B. I. v. 141; Wt. Ic. t. 1821. W. Gháts, Wynaad, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests, at 3,000—5,000 ft., rather scarce. A medium-sized tree, the young branches usually with yellowish-white bark. Wood greyish white with olive-brown heartwood, hard and close-grained.

2. Phoebe paniculata, Nees a; F. B. I. v. 142 in part.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam at 4,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington); Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore; Carnatic, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, Wynaad, Pulney and Sirumalai Hills of Madura, about 3,000—5,000 ft. A tree with nearly black branchlets.

3. PHOEBE WIGHTH, Meissn.; Bedd. Fl. t. 192. P. paniculata, Nees  $\beta$ ;

F. B. I. v. 142 in part; Wt. Ic. t. 1820.
W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, in Shola forests, above 5,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 4,500 ft.; Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly.
A moderate-sized tree common in Nilgiri sholas. Bark thin, brown; wood brown, smooth, with brown medullary patches.

## 8. Actinodaphne, Nees.

Vern. Badaga, Kumára.

Evergreen trees or shrubs. Leaves subverticillate, rarely scattered or opposite, sometimes triple-ribbed, penninerved, the leaf-buds with imbricate perulate scales. Flowers small, dioecious, in axillary or lateral dense bracteate sessile or peduncled clusters or short racemes bearing bracteateumbellules of usually 5, the bracts imbricate, caducous, the pedicels lengthening after the fall of the bracts. Perianth-tube short; lobes 6, subequal. Stamens in of flowers 9, those of the 1st and 2nd row opposite the perianth-lobes, those of the 3rd row opposite those of the 1st, the filaments 2-glandular; anthers all oblong, introrse, 4-celled, filaments slender. Staminodes in Q flowers also 9, those of the 1st and 2nd rows spathulate or linear, those of the 3rd row linear and 2-glandular. Ovary in Q flowers ovoid attenuate into the style; stigma dilated; in of flowers 0 or a pistillode. Fruit a berry resting on the enlarged hardened flat or concave perianth-tube, the lobes persistent or deciduous. Seed with thin testa; cotyledons thick, usually hemispheric.

Leaves comparatively small, usually under 6 in long and at most 1.5 in broad, coriaceous, more or less glaucous beneath, whorled, minutely reticulate:—

Leaves lanceolate, acuminate; Q flowers in sessile umbels; fruiting perianth

with persistent lobes:-

Leaves comparatively large, usually more than 6 in. long and 1.5 in. broad, chartaceous:—

Leaves penninerved, the lowest pair not opposite:

1. ACTINODAPHNE SALICINA, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 148.

W. Gháts, Sispara in Nilgiris, at 5,000—6,500 ft. in Shola forests. A tree with narrow slender leaves, the of flowers, and fruit so far not yet known.

2. ACTINODAPHNE LANATA, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 149.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills (Wight, Gamble), at about 5,000—6,000 ft. in Shola forests.

A tree with lanceolate leaves and a black globose berry about 3 in. in diam., the of flowers not yet known.

3. ACTINODAPHNE CAMPANULATA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 148. A. salicina, Bedd. Fl. t. 295, not of Meissn.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly, at 4,000 ft. (Beddome, Hooper

and Ramaswami).

A medium-sized tree (Bedd.), apparently a shrub (Hook. f.), with a globose berry about 25 in. in diam.

Var. obtusa, Gamble. Leaves narrower, about '7 in. broad, oblong, obtuse at apex, nearly black when dry. An elegant little tree up to 30 ft. high (Bourdillon).

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Travancore at 3,000-4,000 ft.

(Bourdillon).

4. ACTINODAPHNE BOURNEAE, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 128.

W. Gháts, Sholas of the Pulneys Hills about Kodaikanal, 6,000 ft. (Bourne).

A small tree.

5. ACTINODAPHNE MADRASPATANA, Bedd. ex. Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 149. A. Hookeri, Meissn., var. longifolia. A. Hookeri, Bedd. Fl. t. 296, at any rate as for description.

Deccan, Seschachalam Hills of Cuddapah at 3,000 ft. (Wight, Gamble, Fischer); Kambakam Hills of Chingleput at 2,000—2,400 ft. (Fischer); Pulicat Hills (W. Elliot).

A tree with long leaves very white beneath, close to A. angustifolia, Nees, of Bengal and Assam (Haines in 'Bot. Bihar and Orissa'), but distinct in fruit and in leaf-venation. Sir W. Elliot's specimen has a leaf 10 in. long, 4 in. broad.

6. Actinodaphne bourdillonii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 129.
W. Gháts, in most Districts from S. Canara to Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, up to 6,000 ft.
A small tree reaching 30 ft. in height, the young leaves quite white (Bourdillon), the wood of no value. The of flowers are in large clusters with concave bracts, usually, like the Q, pedunculate from the scars of fallen leaves.

7. ACTINODAPHNE LAWSONII, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 129.
W. Gháts, in S.E. Wynaad, about 4,000 ft. (Lawson).
Apparently a small tree. A specimen of C. B. Clarke's from Coonoor is probably this and has larger and rather thinner leaves.

8. ACTINODAPHNE HIRSUTA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 152. A. Hookeri, Bedd. Fl. t. 296, figure only?
W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests up to 3,000 ft.
A large tree reaching 60 ft. in height and a diameter of 18 in., the innovations very fulvous-silky.

9. ACTINODAPHNE TADULINGAMI, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 130.
W. Gháts, Canara to Anamalais, Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests up to 2,000 ft.
A tree, similar to the last but with leaves with very different nervation.

## 9. Litsea, Lamk.

Evergreen, rarely deciduous trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate or sometimes opposite, penninerved. Flowers dioecious, in umbellules of several together, usually 4-6 but in some cases up to 15, supported by 4-6 or more concave involucral bracts; the umbellules sessile or peduncled in axillary or lateral clusters or in racemes, rarely solitary. Perianth-tube in of flowers 0 or very small, in Q flowers funnelshaped; lobes normally 6, sometimes more, sometimes 0 or very early caducous, equal or unequal. Stamens in of flowers normally 9 or 12. in four rows, those of rows 1 and 2 usually eglandular, those of row 3 and row 4 when present with 2-glandular filaments; all stamens with 4 cells, the cells introrse or the lower pair lateral; ovary 0 or rudimentary. Staminodes in Q flowers as the stamens of the of but those of the outer rows clavate or linear, those of the inner rows subulate and 2-glandular; ovary enclosed in the perianth-tube or free; style thick, often curved; stigma dilated, irregularly lobed. Fruit a globose ovoid ellipsoid or oblong berry, seated on the enlarged perianth-tube with the more or less thickened pedicel; pericarp usually succulent. Seed with thin testa and fleshy cotyledons.

Perianth-lobes incomplete or 0; stamens often many:-

Umbellules solitary, many-flowered, peduncled, with large bracts; leaves elliptic or obovate, acute or acuminate, rounded or narrowed at base, nearly glabrous above, fulvous-tomentose or -pubescent beneath, up to 10 in. long, 3—4 in. broad, the main nerves 10—15 pairs; berry depressed globose, black, 4 in. in diam.

Leaves glabrous beneath or nearly so:-

Umbellules in racemes:-

Leaves black when dry, coriaceous, quite glabrous as are the racemes, long-(.75 in.), petioled, elliptic, obtusely acute or acuminate, narrowed at base, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 9—12 pairs, scarcely visible

9. nigrescens.

13. Beddomei.

Leaves pubescent or tomentose beneath:-

Umbellules in sessile or subsessile axillary or lateral clusters:-

Leaves chartaceous, elliptic or elliptic-oblong or -obovate, obtuse or slightly Leaves alternate:acute at apex, rounded at base, softly fulvous-pubescent beneath, up to 8 in long, 4 in broad, main nerves 8—12 pairs, transverse nervules parallel; berry ovoid or ellipsoid, 3 in. long, on a small recurved flattened base, roughly fulvous-pubescent beneath, up to 9 in. long, 4-5 in. broad, main nerves 10—12 pairs, transverse nervules parallel and conspicuous; berry ellipsoid, 1 in. long, 6 in. broad, on a deep obconic warted cup 5 Leaves subcoriaceous, obovate or obovate-oblong, obtuse and abruptly acute at apex, cuneate at base, minutely fulvous-pubescent beneath, up to 9 in. long, 4 in. broad, main nerves 12—18 pairs, closer towards the base; berry oblong, 5 in. long, on a cup-shaped 2—4-cleft glabrous, Leaves usually opposite at the ends of the branchlets, alternate lower down, membranous, oblong or obovate, acuminate, fulvous pubescent beneath, especially on the nerves, up to 7 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 8—12, looped to join near the margin, berry globose, on a cup-shaped, shortly lobed regionsh tubes. 

Leaves comparatively small, obovate elliptic or lanceolate, obtuse or rarely Umbellules in racemes: acute, fulvous-pubescent beneath, especially on the nerves, sometimes nearly glabrous, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 4—8 pairs prominent, the transverse nervules obscure; berry ovoid, 4—5 in. long, seated on the Leaves large, elliptic- or obovate-oblong, acute or acuminate, densely fulvoustomentose beneath, up to 10 in. long, 4 in. broad, main nerves 10—15 pairs, prominent as are the transverse nervules; berry oblong, 5-75 in. long, seated on the turbinate perianth-tube with thick pedicel.....19. floribunda.

1. LITSEA DECCANENSIS, Gamble n. comb. L. tomeniosa, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 157. Tetranthera tomentosa, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 1834. Deccan, in the hills of Cuddapah, Mysore and Chittoor at about 2,000-4,000 ft.; Carnatic, hills of S. Arcot, Salem and Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, in all Districts, in rather dry forests at 3,000-6,000 ft. A moderate-sized tree with soft grey or tawny branchlets and

leaves. The wood is said to be yellowish and likely to be useful. Vern. Mar. Chikua; Tel. Naramamidi; Tam. Perumbandali.

2. Litsea chinensis, Lamk. L. sebifera, Pers.; F. B. I. v. 157. Tetranthera apetala, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 147. N. Circars, from Ganjam to the Godavari, in hill forests; Deccan, in the hills of Nellore (Ramaswami) and Cuddapah (Gamble), very scarce in the forests of the W. Gháts. A moderate-sized tree with thin leaves of variable size, shape and pubescence. Bark brown; wood greyish-brown, moderately hard. Vern. Hind. Maida; Tel. Narra alagi.

3. Litsea ligustrina, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 158. Tetranthera ligustrina Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1835.

Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore, 2,000-5,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Tinnevelly, especially Nilgiris on E. side, at 3,000-6,000 ft.

A small tree, with glabrous very reticulate leaves.

- 4. LITSEA VENULOSA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 161.
  - W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly about Courtallum, 3,000—4,000 ft. (Wight, Beddome).

A straggling evergreen shrub.

- 5. LITSEA LAETA, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 169.
  - N. Circars, Mahendragiri in Ganjam, at 4,000 ft. (Gamble), Rampa Hills at 2,500 ft. (Gamble).
  - A small tree, the berry globose, seated on a turbinate enlarged perianth-tube nearly 5 in. in diam.
- 6. LITSEA CORIACEA, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 166.
  - W. Gháts, S. Canara, Coorg, Wynaad, Anamalais and evergreen

forests of Travancore, up to 4,000 ft.

A small tree with leaves often green above, dull grey beneath when dry, the branchlets puberulous, the umbellules grey-silky in bud, the berry small, ovoid, in a cup-shaped perianth-tube. Vern. *Tam.* Panni thali; *Mal.* Maravetti thali.

7. LITSEA LAEVIGATA, Gamble n. comb. Tetranthera attenuata var.

laevigata, Nees, Syst. Laur. 677.

W. Ghats, in the Tinnevelly Hills about Courtallum (Wight);

hills of Mysore at 2,000 ft. (Meebold).

A tree with leaves when dry green above, reddish brown beneath, the branchlets pale, the umbellule bracts grey silky, the berry oblong in a small obconic perianth-tube.

8. LITSEA MYSORENSIS, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 130.

W. Gháts, hills of Mysore at 3,000—4,000 ft. (Meebold), Wynaad (Beddome).

A small or medium-sized tree with very small sessile clusters

of umbellules.

9. LITSEA NIGRESCENS, Gamble n. comb. Tetranthera Panamanja, Wt. Ic. t. 1836, not of Buch.-Ham.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at low levels (Wight, Bourdillon).

A moderate-sized tree, the racemes 1.5 in. long, the fruit not known.

10. LITSEA OLEOIDES, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 175.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, above 4,000 ft. in evergreen forests, especially common in S. Nilgiri sholas towards Sispara.

A large tree with thick leaves, the racemes fulvous pubescent, about 2 in. long. The uppermost leaves are sometimes opposite.

11. LITSEA STOCKSII, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 176.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris. Anamalais and hills of Travancore, at 2,000—6,000 ft. in evergreen forests.

A small tree, the racemes usually short and few-flowered, silky pubescent.

Var. glabrescens, Hook. f. Leaves very white beneath.

W. Gháts, in Nilgiris, on W. side, Naduvatam to Sispara, at 4,000—6,000 ft.

A small tree.

- 12. Litsea glabrata, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 178.
  W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys, above 6,000 ft., in Shola forest;
  Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 5,000 ft. (Meebold).
  A tree.
- 13. LITSEA BEDDOMEI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 177.

  W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore about 4,000 ft., in evergreen forests (Beddome, Bourdillon, Barber).

  A small tree with small leaves and short flower-racemes.
- 14. Litsea polyantha, Juss.; F. B. I. v. 162. Tetranthera monopetala, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 148; Brand. For. Fl. t. 45.

  N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, at 3,000—4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington); hills of Godavari (Gamble, Herb-Madr.), usually in shady places and ravines.

  A moderate-sized evergreen tree with soft leaves when young, and not very conspicuous transverse nervules '1 in. apart. Bark dark grey, smooth, scaly; wood olive-grey, soft, not much used. Vern. Hind. Maida; Ur. Mosonea.
- 15. Litsea insignis, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 130.

  W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Barber), hills of Travancore, at low levels up to 1,000 ft. (Bourdillon) in evergreen forests.

  A lofty tree with yellowish flowers in great quantity on the old wood, leaving tubercles. The leaves are thick and the parallel transverse nervules 2 in. apart, the fruit and its cup very large.
- 16. LITSEA BOURDILLONII, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 131.

  W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, at 2,500—6,000 ft. in evergreen forests.

  A moderate-sized or large tree with the flowers, both of and 2, in dense tufts on the branchlets, axillary or lateral. The usually close main nerves of the obovate leaves are characteristic.
- 17. LITSEA TRAVANCORICA, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 132.
  W. Gháts, hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests (Lawson, Venkoba Row).
  A tree.
- 18. Litsea Wightiana, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 117 in part. Cylicodaphne Wightiana, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1833.

  W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 6,000 ft., in Shola forests, common; hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, above 4,000 ft., in evergreen forests, less so.

  A large evergreen tree with tawny branchlets and foliage. Bark light brown, smooth, with somewhat horizontal lenticels; wood yellowish brown, hard; apparently only used for fuel.

Vern. Badaga Keynjee.

Var. tomentosa, Meissn. Leaves oblong-lanceolate, acuminate, narrower and with more (up to 10) pairs of main nerves, the berry larger, the cup deeper.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and Pulney Hills, above 6,000 ft., common; Nilgiris scarce.

 LITSEA FLORIBUNDA, Gamble n. comb. L. Wightiana, Hook. f.;
 F. B. I. v. 177 in part. Cylicodaphne floribunda, Bl. in Mus. Bot. Lugd. Bat. i. 387. Tetranthera Wightiana, Bedd. Fl. t. 293.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 2,000—6,000 ft., in evergreen forests; Bababudan Hills and hills of W. Mysore and Coimbatore, on Nilgiris chiefly on E. slopes up to Coonoor and Kotagiri.

A large or moderate-sized tree, the of racemes often 3-4 in. long.

#### 10. Neolitsea, Merr.

Evergreen trees. Leaves alternate opposite or in whorls, triple-ribbed, usually areolate-reticulate; buds perulate. Flowers dioecious, in 3—7-flowered umbellules arranged in clusters or short racemes in the axils of the upper leaves or on the branchlets between the nodes, the clusters with small bracts at their bases; involucral bracts 4, deciduous, pedicels elongating. Perianth-lobes 4. Stamens in of flowers 6, those of the 2 outer rows eglandular, those of the 2 inner biglandular opposite the 1st row; anther-cells all introrse or the lower lateral. Staminodes of Q flowers 6, arranged as the stamens, usually linear or linear-clavate. Ovary ovoid; style thick; stigma usually peltate in of flowers 0 or a small pistillode. Fruit a globose or ellipsoid berry seated on the somewhat enlarged perianth-tube and somewhat elongate pedicel; pericarp smooth. Seed conform to the fruit, cotyledons hemispheric.

 Neolitsea Zeylanica, Merr. Litsea zeylanica, Nees; F. B. I. v. 178 in part; Wt. Ic. tt. 132, 1844; Bedd. Fl. t. 294; L. oblonga, Nees; Wt. Ic. t. 1845.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri in Ganjam, at 4,000 ft.; Deccan, hills of Mysore and Coimbatore; W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen and Shola forests, above 2,000 ft.

A small or moderate-sized tree. Bark thick, smooth, grey; wood light brown to yellow, moderately hard, said to have the scent of Sweet Briar (Bedd.).

2. Neolitsea Fischeri, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 132. W. Ghats, Anamalais and hills of Cochin and Travancore, above

6,000 ft., in evergreen forest.

A large tree with large tawny perulate buds and golden fulvous young leaves and shoots. The old leaves are large and very coriaceous with prominent ribs, nerves and transverse nervules. It somewhat resembles Actinodaphne Hookeri var. dasypoda but the fruit is different.

3. Neolitsea scrobiculata, Gamble n. comb. Litsea scrobiculata, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xv. i. 223. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, about 6,000 ft.; hills of Tinnevelly.

A tree reaching 50 ft. in height, the leaves long-petioled.

4. Neolitsea foliosa, Gamble n. comb. Litsea foliosa, Nees in Syst. Laur. 622.

Var. caesia, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xv. i. 222. N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, Rampa Hills of Godavari, about 2,000 ft.; Deccan, Seshachalam Hills of Cuddapah, hills of Mysore and Coimbatore; Carnatic, Javadi Hills of S. Arcot; W. Gháts, hills of S. Travancore, all at low levels and up to 5,000 ft. at most.

A tree with long-petioled, usually long-acuminate very glaucous

leaves.

# 11. Cassytha, Linn.

Filiform twining parasites, adhering to their host by suckers. Leaves consisting of minute scales or 0. Flowers small, hermaphrodite, spicate capitate or racemose; bracteoles 3. Perianth-tube short and globose or turbinate and as long as the lobes; lobes 6, the 3 outer smaller. Perfect stamens 9 or 6, 2-celled; those of the 1st row opposite the outer perianth-lobes introrse, those of the 2nd row opposite the inner, also introrse, sometimes reduced to staminodes; those of the 3rd row opposite the 1st row extrorse, the filaments with a pair of glands at the base; within these and opposite the 2nd row, 3 sessile or stipitate staminodes. Ovary globose, free in flower but included in the perianth-tube, which closely covers it in fruit; style short; stigma small or capitate. Fruit a drupe enclosed in the enlarged inflated perianth-tube, crowned by the remains of the lobes and stamens; pericarp of 2 layers, the outer thin, the inner thick and hard. Seed conform to the drupe; testa thin; cotyledons fleshy, at length confluent.

Stems fairly stout about 1 in. thick where attached to the host, very long and twining cord-like; flowers sessile, in spikes 5-2 in long; drupe globose

Stems very slender, thread-like; flowers sessile, in very small peduncled heads; drupe oblong ovoid, bluntly 6-angled .....

1. Cassytha filiformis, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 188; Wt. Ic. t. 1847. All plains Districts, on bushes; especially near the coast. Common on various species of young trees and bushes.

2. Cassytha capillaris, Meissn.; F. B. I. v. 188. Tinnevelly District, at Kannikatti (Barber), also in Ceylon. A rare species, found by Barber on Apama Barberi.

Persea gratissima, Gaertn., the Avocado Pear, of the West Indies, is sometimes found in cultivation for its pleasant fruit.

### Family CXXVII. HERNANDIACEAE.

Trees or climbing shrubs. Leaves alternate, simple or pinnate, entire or lobed; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite, monoecious or polygamous, regular, usually small, white or greenish. Perianth superior; lobes free or shortly united below in two valvate 3—5-merous whorls or in one imbricate 4—8-merous whorl. Stamens 3—5 in one whorl; anthers 2-celled, dehiscing introrsely or laterally by 2 valves; staminodes glandular, in 1 or 2 whorls outside the stamens or absent. Ovary inferior, 1-celled; ovule solitary, pendulous, anatropous. Fruit dry, often longitudinally ribbed, sometimes with 2—4 longitudinal wings or with 2 terminal wings formed by accrescent perianth-lobes, or else wingless and enclosed in an inflated cupule. Seed solitary; albumen 0; cotyledons large, more or less lobed and twisted.

### Gyrocarpus, Jacq.

A tall tree with thick branches. Leaves alternate, large, long-petioled, entire or lobed, clustered towards the ends of the branches. Flowers small, unisexual, & very numerous, & few, also a few hermaphrodite mixed, in large dense ebracteate cymes. Perianth in & flowers, 4—7-partite, in & 2-lobed, the lobes enlarged in fruit. Stamens 4—7, inserted at the bottom of the perianth, alternating with as many clavate staminodes; anthers 2-celled, dehiscing by valves. Ovary 1-celled; ovule 1, pendulous from the apex of the cell; stigma sessile. Fruit drupe-like, crowned with the long wing-like persistent perianthlobes. Seed solitary; cotyledons large, convolute.

GYROCARPUS AMERICANUS, Jacq. G. Jacquini, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 1;

Bedd. Fl. t. 196; F. B. I. ii. 461.

N. Circars, especially in Godavari and Kistna, in forests of the E. Gháts; Deccan and Carnatic, in deciduous forests, extending

West to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts.

A large deciduous tree with large soft leaves often deeply lobed. Bark thin, greyish-white with a silvery lustre; wood soft, grey, in considerable demand for making catamarans, also for boxes, trays and toys. Vern. *Hind. Zaitun*; *Ur. Pitella*; *Tel. Tanaku.* 

# Family CXXVIII. PROTEACEAE.

Trees or shrubs, rarely herbs. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite or verticillate, entire toothed or pinnatisect; stipules 0. Flowers capitate spicate racemose or rarely solitary, hermaphrodite, regular or irregular; bracts small, caducous or nearly obsolete, sometimes imbricate, hardened in fruit forming a cone; bracteoles 0—2. Perianth inferior; lobes 4, at first valvately connate in a tube with gibbous base, at length more or less separating with recurved tips. Stamens 4, on and opposite to the perianth-lobes; anthers erect, the connective continuous with the filaments, cells 2 introrse, dehiscing longitudinally. Disk of 4

hypogynous scales, sometimes 0. Ovary superior, sessile or stipitate, 1-celled, often oblique; style terminal, thickened at tip; stigma terminal or lateral; ovules solitary or in pairs or many, biseriate. Fruit a nut or drupe indehiscent or ultimately opening on the inner edge or at the tip, or a follicle or capsule with often coriaceous valves. Seeds solitary or in pairs or few; testa membranous or coriaceous, sometimes winged; albumen 0; cotyledons compressed or fleshy, often unequal; radicle short, inferior or lateral.

#### Helicia, Lour.

Trees or large shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire toothed or pinnatisect. Flowers in terminal and axillary racemes, hermaphrodite, regular, usually in pairs; bracts small, caducous; bracteoles minute. Perianth-tube slender; limb narrow, ovate or oblong, lobes revolute in flower. Stamens 4; anthers oblong, connective produced in an apiculus. Disk of 4 hypogynous scales, free or connate. Ovary sessile; style slender; stigma terminal; ovules 2, basal or lateral, attached below the middle. Fruit a subglobose hard nut. Seeds 1—2, subglobose or hemispheric; testa rugose or veined; cotyledons fleshy.

Leaves petioled, acute at base, elliptic-oblanceolate, acuminate, coarsely dentate, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad; flowers in bud ·5—·7 in. long

1. HELICIA NILAGIRICA, Bedd.; F. B. I. v. 190.

W. Gháts, Walaghát in Malabar at 3,000 ft. (Beddome); Devála in S.E. Wynaad at 3,000 ft. (Gamble), in evergreen forests.

A small tree with chartaceous leaves and globose purple fruit 5 in, in diam.

2. HELICIA TRAVANCORICA, Bedd.; F. B. I. v. 191. H. robusta, Bedd. Fl. t. 301, not of Wall.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 4,000 ft. on

the banks of streams (Bedd.).

A handsome tree of good size with coriaceous leaves and greenish-yellow flowers, the fruit globose, 75 in. in diam.

Several species of chiefly Australian Proteaceous shrubs are in cultivation in the Botanic Gardens in the Nilgiris. *Grevillea robusta*, A. Cunn., the Silk Oak, a moderate-sized handsome tree of Australia, has been much cultivated in S. India, both in the forests for its handsome prettily grained wood, and in tea estates as a shade plant. It is so far acclimatized that it reproduces itself naturally from seed.

# Family CXXIX. THYMELAEACEAE.

Shrubs or trees with tough fibrous bark, rarely herbs. Leaves alternate or opposite, simple, entire. Flowers usually hermaphrodite, in axillary or terminal heads umbels clusters or racemes; bracts various, often forming an involucre. Perianth regular, tubular or

campanulate, often corolline, 4-5-lobed, the lobes imbricate in bud, often with scales at their bases within. Stamens as many or twice as many as the lobes of the perianth, those opposite the lobes usually attached above the alternate ones; filaments short; anthers erect, 2-celled, dehiscing longitudinally. Disk hypogynous, annular cupular or of scales, sometimes 0. Ovary superior, 1—2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell, anatropous, pendulous from the apex of the cell; style short or long, terminal or excentric; stigma usually capitate. Fruit a small berry drupe or capsule. Seed solitary or one in each cell, pendulous or lateral; testa crustaceous, rarely membranous; albumen fleshy or 0; cotyledons fleshy, usually thick; radicle short, superior.

Ovary 1-celled, 1-ovuled; fruit indehiscent; flowers in close bracteate heads; 

#### 1. Lasiosiphon, Fresen.

Silky shrubs. Leaves opposite or alternate and scattered. Flowers hermaphrodite, in dense heads with broad bracts. Perianth-tube cylindric, circumsciss above the ovary; lobes 5, spreading; scales above the stamens 5, alternate with the perianth-lobes. Stamens 10 in 2 rows, the upper or all shortly exserted; anthers oblong or linear. Disk 6 or short, annulate. Ovary sessile, 1-celled; style filiform; stigma capitate. Fruit small, dry, included in the base of the perianth, pericarp membranous. Seed conform to the pericarp; testa crustaceous; albumen scanty or 0.

LASIOSIPHON ERIOCEPHALUS, Dcne.; F. B. I. v. 197. Gnidia erio-

cephala, Meissn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1859.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 4,000-7,000 ft. in open forests.

A small tree or large shrub with linear-oblong leaves and bright yellow flowers in dense terminal white silky heads surrounded by an involucre of silky bracts. Bark grey, smooth, the inner bark fibrous; wood white or yellowish-white, hard. Vern. Tam. Nacchi nár; Mal. Nanju.

Var. sisparensis. Gnidia sisparensis, Meissn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1860.

Leaves obovate obtuse subsessile; heads with fulvous hairs.

Sispara in Nilgiris (Gardner); Palghát Hills (Beddome); Mysore (Lobb.).

### 2. Gyrinops, Gaertn.

Small trees. Leaves alternate, shining, the lateral nerves very fine, numerous and parallel. Flowers hermaphrodite, in terminal and axillary few-flowered, umbels, ebracteate, bracteoles small. Perianthtube slender; lobes 5, spreading; scales above the stamens connate in a ring. Stamens 5, in one row at the mouth of the perianth-tube and opposite the lobes; anthers subsessile. Ovary stalked, 2-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; style subulate; stigma ovoid. Fruit a stipitate compressed ovoid capsule; loculicidally 2-valved. Seeds ovoid, with a taillike basal appendage; testa crustaceous; albumen 0.

Gyrinops Walla, Gaertn.; F. B. I. v. 199; Wt. Ic. t. 1850; Bedd.

Fl. t. 303.

Tinnevelly (Beddome), a Ceylon plant.

A small tree with yellowish foliage, the leaves oblong, obtusely acuminate, 2—4 in. long, about I in. broad, with close minute parallel nerves.

Wikströmia viridiflora, Meissen. is a Malay shrub, cultivated in gardens in Madras.

#### Family CXXX. ELAEAGNACEAE.

Trees or shrubs, often thorny, with numerous silvery or coppery scales on the branches inflorescence and under-surface of the leaves especially. Leaves alternate or opposite, entire; stipules 0. Flowers small, regular, hermaphrodite or dioecious, solitary or in axillary fascicles spikes or racemes; bracts small, deciduous. Perianth in hermaphrodite or Q flowers tubular, constricted above the ovary, persistent below, deciduous above, limb 2—4-lobed; in of flowers reduced to a 2—4-lobed limb. Stamens in hermaphrodite flowers adnate to the throat of the perianth-tube, as many as the lobes and alternate with them, in of flowers to perianth-base, twice as many as the lobes; filaments free; anthers oblong, 2-celled, the cells dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary free, 1-celled; style filiform; stigma lateral; ovule 1, basal, erect, anatropous. Fruit a nut, closely covered by the thickened perianth-base, pericarp membranous. Seed erect; testa hard; albumen scanty or 0; cotyledons thick, fleshy; radicle inferior.

## Elaeagnus, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, often thorny, with silvery or stellate scales. Flowers hermaphrodite, axillary, solitary or in fascicles or racemes. Perianth-tube campanulate or funnel-shaped, narrowed above the ovary; lobes 4, valvate, deciduous. Stamens 4, on the mouth of the perianth, on a ring, alternate with the lobes. Ovary 1-celled; style linear; stigma lateral. Fruit a nut enclosed in the thickened perianth-base. Seed with hard shining testa.

Scales shining or dull, silvery and coppery, usually mixed; clusters many-flowered:—Leaves rather large, up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, thin, elliptic or elliptic-oblong or obovate, acute or acuminate at apex, 5—6-nerved; perianth-tube urceolate, 2—3 in. long; drupe large, oblong, 5—1 in. long, the putamen grooved

1. Elaeagnus indica, Servettaz in Bull. Herb. Boiss., ser. 2, viii. 393. Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore, to 3,500 ft.; Carnatic, hills of S. Arcot, Salem and Madura, west to E. slopes of W. Gháts. A slender straggling shrub.

- ELAEAGNUS CONFERTA, ROXD. E. latifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 202 in part only; Brand. For. Fl. t. 46.
  - N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam (A. W. Lushington); W. Coast and W. Cháts, at low levels, but occasionally up to 5,000 ft. A large often thorny straggling shrub with red edible fruit.
- 3. Elaeagnus Kologa, Schlecht. in DC. Prodr. xiv. 611. E. latifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 202, in part only; Wt. Ic. t. 1856.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys above 5,000 ft., margins of Shola woods and open scrub forests; Bababudan Hills of Mysore. A large sometimes thorny straggling or climbing shrub with orange-red edible fruit. Vern. Tam. Kolungai.

### Family CXXXI. LORANTHACEAE.

Evergreen shrubs, rarely herbs, usually parasitic on the branches of trees; stems much branched, often jointed. Leaves opposite or sometimes alternate, coriaceous, entire, sometimes reduced to scales or 0; stipules 0. Flowers regular or zygomorphic, hermaphrodite or unisexual, sometimes large and brightly coloured, sometimes inconspicuous, in racemes spikes heads or fasicles, usually bracteate and often with 2 or more bracteoles. Calyx adnate to the ovary; limb annular or cupular, entire or shortly toothed, sometimes 0. Petals or perianthsegments 3-8, valvate, free or more or less connate in a tube. Stamens as many as and opposite to the petals and more or less adnate to them; filaments slender or 0; anthers basifixed or dorsifixed, opening by longitudinal slits or by rows of cells or by pores. Ovary inferior, 1celled; usually without distinct placenta; style short or long; stigma simple. Fruit a 1-seeded berry or drupe with fleshy pericarp and often viscid mesocarp. Seed solitary without distinct testa; albumen fleshy or none; embryo straight, usually fleshy; radicle superior.

Calyx present, though the limb is sometimes reduced to a rim only; flowers hermaphrodite, anthers basifixed:—

# 1. Loranthus, Linn. (restricted).

Parasitic shrubs with many branches. Leaves opposite or alternate or both, usually thick and fleshy or coriaceous, entire. Flowers hermaphrodite, usually coloured, in racemes spikes cymes or fascicles, in the axils of leaves or of the scars of fallen leaves, rarely terminal; bract usually small, supporting the base of the calyx-tube; bracteoles 0. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary, the limb short, truncate or toothed. Corolla polypetalous or gamopetalous, regular or zygomorphic; lobes 4—6, valvate, free or more or less connate in a tube, erect or reflexed, the tube often split down one side. Stamens as many as the corollalobes and adnate to them; filaments usually slender; anthers basifixed,

8. pulverulentus.

usually linear, opening by longitudinal cells, sometimes septate. Disk 0. Ovary 1-celled; style filiform, sometimes geniculate; stigma entire, obtuse or capitate. Fruit baccate, globose ovoid ellipsoid or oblong, crowned by the persistent calyx-limb. Seed albuminous, adnate to the pericarp, usually surrounded by glutinous pulp; testa 0; embryo straight; radicle superior.

Corolla lobes free:-

Flowers in spikes, on excavations in a thickened rhachis; leaves coriaceous,

opposite or alternate, the innovations mealy-pubescent:-

Leaves lanceolate, obtusy elacuminate at apex, narrowed at base, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad, petióle 2-3 in. long; spikes 1-2 in. long; flowers in Leaves elliptic orbicular or obovate, obtuse at apex, slightly narrowed at base, up to 1.5 in. long, 5-1 in. broad, petiole 1-2 in. long; spikes 1-1.5 in. 

Flowers in racemes, solitary or fascicled on the nodes of old branchlets; leaves

coriaceous, opposite or alternate:-

Branchlets, leaves and inflorescence glabrous:-Flowers in bud ·15—25 in. long, straight, terete, in slender racemes 1—3 in. long; leaves elliptic ovate or orbicular, obtuse, narrowed at base, up to Flowers in bud 5—75 in long, straight or curved, angular, in rather stout often solitary racemes up to 4 in long; leaves broadly ovate or elliptic, obtuse, usually rounded cordate or sometimes auricled at base, up to 6 in. or more long, 3.5 in. broad, petiole stout, 5-7 in. long........4. intermedius. Branchlets and inflorescence, sometimes the leaves more or less, furfuraceous pubescent; flowers in bud 5—1 in. long, curved, angular, in racemes 2—4 in. long; leaves ovate, obtuse or obtusely acute, acute or rounded or auricled at 

Corolla gamopetalous:-Corolla-lobes 4; flowers in bud narrow, clavate at tip and acute, densely covered with mealy golden tomentum, in axillary fascicles or short cymes, the tube

·5-1 in. long, split down one side:-

Leaves ovate, orbicular or elliptic, obtuse, rounded at base, nearly glabrous above, more or less rusty tomentose beneath, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; Leaves ovate, covered, more or less, on both surfaces, with white or tawny flocculent tomentum:-

Leaves coriaceous, obtuse or slightly acute at apex, cordate at base, up to 4 Leaves subcoriaceous, bluntly acute or obtuse at apex, narrowed or rounded at base, up to 3.5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, petiole 5-1 in. long

Corolla-lobes 5:-

Corolla densely tomentose:-

Bracts large, up to ·5 in. long; calyx-teeth distant; corolla-tube ·75-1 in. long, curved, somewhat inflated at the middle, grey-tomentose without; leaves alternate, orbicular or obovate, obtuse, up to 1 in. in diam., sometimes Bracts small, ovate:-

Calyx-teeth short, triangular, regular; corolla-tube curved, split half-way, inflated below, 4—6 in. long, densely rusty-floccose-woolly; leaves alternate, obovate, obtuse, cuneate at base, black above when dry, densely rusty-floccose below, up to 2.5 in. long, 1 in. broad, nerves 3 pairs, way, gibbously inflated below the middle, 5-75 in. long, rusty-villous; leaves obovate, obtuse, cuneate at base, blackish green above when dry,  Corolla glabrous without, with very rare exceptions:—
Flowers in racemes:—

up to 6 in. in diam.....

Branchlets terete:

......16. trigonus.

Flowers in axillary fascicles or cymes:—
Flowers sessile, fascicled at the nodes of the branches; corolla 1 in. long, the lobes spirally twisted; bract very small; calyx-limb cupular, entire; leaves very coriaceous, opposite, sessile, ovate elliptic or orbicular, obtuse, acute at base, up to 4.5 in. long, 2 in. broad, 3—5-ribbed; berry globose 17. elasticus.

1. Loranthus Hookerianus, W. & A. 381; F. B. I. v. 207.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalai Hills and hills of Tinnevelly, up to 4,000 ft.

A rather slender parasitic shrub, the branches speckled with minute tubercles. Has been found on *Mallotus philippinensis* (Fischer).

2. Loranthus Wightii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 207.

W. Gháts, Courtallum and Chokampatti hills of Tinnevelly, about 3,500 ft. (Wight, Beddome).

A slender parasitic shrub with speckled nodose branchlets.

- 3. Loranthus Wallichianus, Schultes; F. B. I. v. 205; W. & A. 381; Wt. Ic. t. 143.
  - W. Gháts, in all Districts from S. Canara southwards, up to
  - about 4,000 ft.

    A rather stout parasitic shrub with pale brown terete branchlets and pale red flowers. Found by Fischer on Helicteres and Memecylon.
- 4. Loranthus intermedius, Wight; Hook. f. in F. B. I. v. 205.
  W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, at 3,000—6,000 ft.
  - A stout parasitic shrub, the flowers red, common in Nilgiri Sholas and often on *Cinnamomum Wightii* (Barber) and *Machilus macrantha* (Fischer).
- 5. Loranthus obtusatus, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 205; W. & A. 381; Bidie
  - Report on Neelgh, Loranths t. iii.

    W. Gháts, in most Districts, especially at high levels in Nilgiris,
    Pulneys, etc., at above 5,000 ft.
    - A large parasitic shrub with red and orange flowers, often found on *Rhododendron*, *Symplocos*, *Daphniphyllum* and many other Shola trees, also on *Acacia Melanoxylon* in the plantations.
- 6. LORANTHUS BUDDLEIOIDES, Desv.; W. & A. 382. L. Scurrula, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 140; F. B. I. v. 208, not of Linn.
  - N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, 4,500 ft. (Fischer and Gage), Rampa Hills (V. Narayanswami); Deccan, hills of Mysore, Bellary and Coimbatore; W. Gháts, chiefly on W. and E. slopes, up to 6,000 ft.
  - A parasitic shrub found growing on various different kinds of tree; flowers greenish-yellow.
- 7. LORANTHUS CORDIFOLIUS, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 209.

  Deccan, in hilly country, Chittoor to Coimbatore, 2,000—3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, at 2,000—5,000 ft.

  A large parasitic shrub, conspicuous from the thick fascicles of orange-tawny flowers and white or pale brown young leaves and
- shoots.

  8. LORANTHUS PULVERULENTUS, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 211.

  N. Circars, forests of the E. Gháts, Ganjam to Rampa, at 1,000—2,500 ft. (Gamble, Barber).

  A stout parasitic shrub, found on deciduous trees chiefly.
- 9. Loranthus bracteatus, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 213. L. tomentosus, W. & A. 385; Wt. Ic. t. 378.
  - N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in forests of Vizagapatam, Nellore, S. Arcot, Cuddapah and Kurnool, up to 2,000 ft. westwards to the E. slopes of W. Gháts.
    - A small parasitic shrub, the flowers in cymes or umbels of 3—5, greenish, striped, on various species of deciduous tree.
- 10. Loranthus tomentosus, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 212; Bidie t. viii. Deccan, hills of Mysore and N. Coimbatore, 3,000—5,000 ft.; W. Gháts in S. Canara (Hohenacker), Coorg, Wynaad, at 3,000—4,000 ft. (Gamble), and southwards.

A small parasitic shrub, the branchlets nearly black; found in Coorg on Neolitsea zeylanica, also by Fischer on various other kinds of tree.

11. Loranthus recurvus, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 213; W. & A. 383. L. Candolleanus, W. & A. 385; Wt. Ic. t. 305.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, in Shola woods above 6,000 ft.

A parasitic shrub with smooth grey bark, ovoid-oblong fruits, yellow flowers and characteristic calyx, reported as growing in the Nilgiri Sholas and plantations on Acacia Melanoxylon, Viburnum, Glochidion, etc.

12. Loranthus courtallensis, Gamble, n. comb. L. bracteatus, Heyne, var. angustifolia, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 213.

W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly about Courtallum, (Wight, Barber).

A slender twiggy parasitic shrub.

13. LORANTHUS CUNEATUS, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 214; W. & A. 385; Bidie t. ix.

N. Circars and Deccan, in hilly country; W. Gháts, in most

Districts, at various levels, common.

A bushy shrub with grey bark and prominent nodes, parasitic on a great variety of trees and shrubs, indigenous and introduced (like *Acacia Melanoxylon*). The corolla is greenish-yellow outside, orange within, the stigma red, also the fruits.

14. Loranthus longiflorus, Desv.; F. B. I. v. 214; W. & A. 384;

Wt. Ic. t. 302. L. bicolor, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 139.

All plains Districts, chiefly in deciduous forests, common. A large parasitic shrub with handsome and conspicuous racemes of scarlet orange or pink flowers succeeded by pink berries. It is found on a great number of different hosts.

Var. falcatus, Kurz. Leaves linear or falcate, up to 6 in. long, the

flowers rather short.

Plains Districts, chiefly in the dry country, frequently on Acacia

and its neighbours.

Var. amplexifolius, Thw. Leaves large, orbicular or shortly oblong, obtuse cordate and amplexicaul at base, the flowers often long and the racemes frequently terminal. L. amplexifolius, DC.; Bidie t. vii.

W. Gháts, chiefly in hilly regions up to 6,000 ft., in most Districts. Var. pubescens, Hook. f. Leaves rather small, oblong, racemes with

the flowers minutely pubescent.

W. Coast and lower hills of W. Gháts.

- 15. Loranthus sarcophyllus, Wall; W. & A. 384; F. B. I. v. 217.

  W. Gháts, Nilgiris and hills of Madura (Wight).

  A very stout parasitic shrub, much resembling L. longiflorus but recognized by the calyx-lobes. Said to grow on Ficus.
- LORANTHUS TRIGONUS, W. & A. 386; F. B. I. v. 219.
   W. Gháts and W. Coast from S. Canara southwards, Coorg, Nilgiris and Pulneys up to 3,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 3,500 ft. (Meebold).

A large very thick and fleshy parasitic shrub with warted

branches and trigonous branchlets, found on the Banyan fig (Gamble) and other trees.

17. LORANTHUS ELASTICUS, Desv.; F. B. I. v. 216; W. & A. 386;

Wt. Ic. t. 343. L. Euphorbiae, Wt. Ic. t. 1063.

Deccan, in Mysore; Carnatic, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput, 2,000 ft., Melpat in S. Arcot, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; W. Coast, S. Canara to Travancore also at low levels in W. Gháts.

A dichotomously branching parasitic shrub with striped green and white flowers, red stamens and a pink berry. It is not uncommon on the mango, orange, nutmeg, Samadera, Thespesia, and other trees of hot low-level country. The smaller-leaved L. Euphorbiae is found on the tree Euphorbias, E. tortilis and E. antiquorum, in Coimbatore, and is perhaps distinct.

18. Loranthus neelgherrensis, W. & A. 382; F. B. I. v. 216; Wt.

Ic. t. 1020; Bidie tt. iv. v. x.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, at high levels above

4,000 ft.

A large woody parasitic shrub with crimson-scarlet flowers, orange inside the tube, the berry red, also the young leaves. It is common on many shola trees and also very frequent on the introduced Australian Acacias.

Var. Clarkei, Hook. f. Flowers small with short corolla-lobes.

Nilgiri Hills at 7,000 ft. (C. B. Clarke).

19. Loranthus memecylifolius, W. & A. 383; F. B. I. v. 217.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 5,000 ft.

A stout glabrous parasitic shrub with scarlet corolla. It occurs on various shola trees, Rhododendron, Rapanea, Daphniphyllum, etc.

20. Loranthus lageniferus, Wt. Ic. t. 306; F. B. I. v. 218.

W. Coast, S. Canara, Mysore and Malabar, apparently in deciduous forests (Wight, Rangachari).

A large parasitic shrub, the involucre reddish, the corolla green or green and red. Dr. Cooke gives it as found on *Holarrhena* and *Adina*.

## 2. Elytranthe, Blume (amplified).

Parasitic shrubs. Leaves opposite or subopposite, more or less coriaceous, entire. Flowers few, in spikes racemes or pairs with 1 bract and 2 bracteoles which may be free or combined in a cup. Calyxtube cylindric, the limb small, truncate. Corolla-tube usually entire, more or less cylindric or funnel-shaped; lobes 5 or 6, usually 6, equal, reflexed in flower. Stamens 5—6, anthers basifixed, often septate. Ovary enclosed in the calyx-tube; style slender; stigma usually capitate. Fruit and seed as in Loranthus.

ELYTRANTHE LONICEROIDES, Engler. Loranthus loniceroides, Linn.;
 F. B. I. v. 221; Wt. Ic. t. 203; Bidie t. vi. except anthers and ovary.
 W. Gháts, in Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, chiefly at levels above 5,000 ft.; a form in Coimbatore below 3,000 ft. has smaller leaves.

A large parasitic shrub with variegated corolla, the tube scarlet or pink below changing to yellow, the lobes green. The berry is green tipped with the cylindric calyx-limb. The large-leaved hill form is abundant on Australian Acacias, but also occurs on various Shola trees; the small-leaved one is chiefly found on Terminalia, Anogeissus and various species of fig.

2. ELYTRANTHE CAPITELLATA, Engler. Loranthus capitellatus, W. & A. 382; F. B. I. v. 221.

Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country, westwards to the lower hills of the W. Gháts, up to about 3,000 ft.

A parasitic shrub with variegated corolla, the tube white changing to red and above to green, with purple lines. It is found on various plains trees like the mango, figs, etc.

#### 3. Korthalsella, van Tiegh.

Leafless parasitic small shrubs, the branches jointed, furnished with bracteate scales at the joints, the joints all in the same plane. Flowers in the axils of the scales, monoecious, surrounded by tufts of hair, of and Q with 3 perianth-lobes which are persistent after flowering in Q. Anthers 3, 2-celled, the cells opening introrsely by longitudinal slits, but the anthers being connected at their margins, the pollen issues from a central aperture. Ovary obovoid; placenta central; stigma small. Fruit an obovoid fleshy berry with viscid mesocarp, embryo basal. Seed albuminous.

KORTHALSELLA JAPONICA, Engler. Viscum japonicum, Thunb.; F. B. I. v. 226. V. moniliforme, W. & A. 380; Wt. Ic. t. 1018, and Spic. Neelg. t. 87

W. Ghats, Nilgiri, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, above 5,000 ft. A small densely tufted parasitic undershrub with obovate keeled flattened joints and minute flowers. It is found on Shola trees, especially on Rhododendron, Vaccinium, Eurya and Ilex.

Var. coralloides: Viscum moniliforme, W. & A., var. coralloides, Wt. Ic. t. 1019, is really only a smaller form with narrower joints.

### 4. Viscum, Linn.

Parasitic shrubs, growing on trees; branches usually 2—3-chotomous, jointed, the internodes terete, angular or flattened. Leaves opposite, flat and thick or reduced to small scales. Flowers usually monoecious, small, fascicled or solitary or more often in triads, in the axils of the leaves or at the nodes of the branches, rarely terminal; bracts small; bracteoles 2, free or connate in a cup. Perianth-tube in of solid, in Q adnate to the ovary; lobes usually 4, sometimes 3, short, ovate or triangular. Stamens as many as the perianth-lobes and adnate to them, dehiscing introrsely by numerous pores. Ovary inferior,

1-celled; ovules solitary or paired; stigma sessile or subsessile. Fruit a succulent berry with soft viscid mesocarp. Seed adnate to the pericarp; albumen copious, solid; embryo terete enclosed in the albumen, solitary or 2 to each seed.

Leafy shrubs:-

1. VISCUM MONOICUM, Roxb.; F. B. I. v. 224; W. & A. 379 (under V. orientale).

N. Circars, hills of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, up to 3,500 ft. (Barber, A. W. Lushington); W. Gháts, Pulney Hills in Poombarai valley (Bourne), Nilgiris (G. Thomson).

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VISCUM ORIENTALE, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 224; W. & A. 379.
 N. Circars and Carnatic, especially Coast Districts, but also westwards to lower hills of W. Gháts in Coimbatore.
 A rather large shrub, parasitic on many kinds of tree, Albizzia, Pongamia, Wrightia, etc., berry purple.

- 3. VISCUM ORBICULATUM, Wt. Ic. t. 1016; Spic. Neilg. t. 86; F. B. I. v. 224.
  - W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 5.000 ft.

A small bushy shrub with angular grooved branches, found by Wight on Vaccinium Leschenaultii.

4. VISCUM VERRUCULOSUM, W. & A. 379; F. B. I. v. 224.

Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais. and hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, up to 6,000 ft. A parasitic shrub with usually terete branches.

5. VISCUM CAPITELLATUM, Sm.; F. B. I. v. 225; W. & A. 380.

Carnatic, Coast of S. Arcot (Lawson); Deccan, N. Coimbatore Hills (Fischer); W. Gháts, S. E. Wynaad at 3,000 ft. (Gamble). A small parasitic shrub with stout usually terete branches, found in two forms, the leafy one (a of W. & A.) with obtuse broad obovate leaves, perhaps V. trilobatum, Talbot, the other with few obovate spathulate leaves (\$\beta\$ of W. & A.) and usually more floriferous. It has been found on various trees, Rhizophora, Salvadora, etc., also on Loranthus longiflorus, especially var. falcatus.

6. VISCUM RAMOSISSIMUM, Wall.; W. & A. 380; F. B. I. v. 225.

Deccan, in Mysore and Coimbatore; W. Gháts, Nilgiris to hills of Tinnevelly up to 6,000 ft.

A many and slenderly branched parasitic shrub, almost broomlike, with terete branches and branchlets. It is found on various trees, Acacia, Rhus, Santalum, Ficus, also on Loranthi.

7. VISCUM MYSORENSE, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 329.

Deccan, Arsikere in Mysore, about 2,000 ft. (Meebold).

A parasitic shrub, yellow when dry, the internodes of the branchlets angular or flattened.

8. VISCUM ANGULATUM, Heyne ex DC.; F. B. I. v. 225. V. ramosissimum, Wt. Ic. t. 1017, except of flowers.

W. Gháts, in most Districts on the lower hills up to 4,000 ft.,

chiefly on N. and E. sides; forests of N. Coimbatore.

A leafless slender parasitic shrub, found on various species of chiefly deciduous trees.

9. Viscum articulatum, Burm.; F. B. I. v. 226. V. attenuatum, DC.; W. & A. 380.

N. Circars and Carnatic from the Godavari southwards, westwards to the lower hills of W. Gháts.

A slenderly-branched parasitic shrub, the internodes scarcely '3 in. in maximum diameter, longitudinally striate. The of flowers are very small and scarce, the Q very often solitary, the berry 1 in. in diam. Found on many species, chiefly of deciduous trees.

Var. dichotomum, Kurz. Much stouter and more common, but not easily separated in some cases, the internodes up to 5 in. broad and very prominently striate; flowers larger and usually in triads; berry about '15 in. in diameter.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic in most Districts, on many species of tree.

### Family CXXXII. SANTALACEAE.

Trees, shrubs or herbs, many being parasitic or semiparasitic on the branches or roots of other plants. Leaves alternate or opposite, entire, sometimes scale-like or 0; stipules 0. Flowers hermaphrodite or unisexual, regular, small, solitary or in simple or compound cymes; bracts usually small; bracteoles 2, sometimes 1 or both obsolete. Perianth superior or partly inferior, 3—8-lobed or -toothed, the lobes often with a tuft of hairs behind the anthers. Stamens as many as and opposite to the perianth-lobes, attached to or above the perianth-base; anthers 2-celled. Disk epigynous or perigynous. Ovary 1-celled, inferior; ovules 2—3, adnate to or pendulous from a central column; style short; stigma entire or 3—6-lobed. Fruit a nut or drupe. Seed globose or ovoid, smooth rugose or sulcate; testa thin or wanting; albumen copious, fleshy; embryo usually terete; radicle superior.

above it; fruit a drupe:—

#### 1. Thesium, Linn.

Slender perennial herbs, usually parasitic on roots. Leaves alternate, narrow, decurrent. Flowers minute, greenish, solitary and axillary or in 2-chotomous cymes, hermaphrodite. Perianth adnate to the ovary, the tube produced above it; lobes 5, rarely 4. Stamens 5 or 4, inserted at the base of the perianth-lobes, included. Ovary inferior; ovules 2—3, pendulous from a basal often flexuous column; style cylindric or very short; stigma capitate or lobed. Fruit a dry nut, often ribbed. Seed conform to the nut; embryo terete, straight or oblique; cotyledons small; radicle as long as or longer than the cotyledons.

THESIUM WIGHTIANUM, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 230; Wt. Ic. t. 1852, except the anthers.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris and Pulneys and Atapadi Hills of Malabar, above 6,000 ft., on the downs among grass.

A slender plant with many straggling branches often procumbent at the base, narrow linear leaves, small solitary flowers, and a small hard globose nut.

#### 2. Santalum, Linn.

Trees or shrubs usually semiparasitic on the roots of other kinds; branches usually slender, glabrous. Leaves opposite or rarely alternate, glabrous. Flowers hermaphrodite, axillary or in terminal 3-chotomous paniculate cymes; bracts minute. Perianth-tube campanulate or ovoid, adnate to the base of the ovary; lobes 4, rarely 5, valvate, with a tuft

of hairs on the face. Stamens 4 or 5, adnate to the bases of the perianthlobes, alternating with the fleshy scales of the disks; filaments short; anthers ovate, the cells distinct, parallel. Disk of the scales between the stamens. Ovary at first free, later semi-inferior; ovules 2—3, pendulous from below the top of a long acuminate central column; style elongate; stigma 2—3-lobed. Fruit a subglobose drupe, annulate on the top by the deciduous perianth, endocarp rugose. Seed subglobose; albumen copious; embryo terete, slender; radicle longer than the cotyledons.

Santalum album, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 231; Bedd. Fl. t. 256. Sirium myrtifolium, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 2.

N. Circars, in Vizagapatam, scarce; Carnatic, hills of S. Arcot, Salem and southwards; Deccan, in all Districts but especially in Mysore, Coimbatore and plains N. of Nilgiris, up to 3,000 ft.; W. Gháts, on E. slopes in Mysore, Coorg and Nilgiris; in dry open scrub forests and hedgerows. Sandal. A small evergreen usually semiparasitic glabrous tree with elliptic-ovate leaves up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, glaucous beneath, the flowers brownish-purple, the drupe black when ripe. Bark dark grey, rough; wood hard and close-grained, sapwood white, scentless, heartwood yellowish-brown, strongly scented and in great demand for carvings, the distillation of oil, export to China, etc., and in burial ceremonies. For an account of the parasitism and growth of the tree, the "spike" disease, etc., see Troup, Silv. Ind. Trees iii. 749. Vern. Hind. Chandan; Tam. Srigandam; Tel. Chandanum.

#### 3. Osyris, Linn.

Shrubs with angular branchlets. Leaves alternate, entire; stipules 0. Flowers small, axillary, polygamous (& and £), the & flowers in clusters, the £ often solitary. Perianth-tube solid in the & flowers, adnate to the ovary in the £; lobes 3—4, triangular, valvate, with a tuft of hair on the face. Stamens 3 or 4, inserted at the base of the perianth-lobes; anther-cells distinct. Disk angular, between the stamens. Ovary inferior, sunk in the perianth-tube; ovules 2—4, pendulous from a short central placenta; style short; stigma 3—4-lobed. Fruit a globose or ovoid drupe. Seed globose, solitary; embryo small, in the centre of copious fleshy albumen.

OSYRIS ARBOREA, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 232. O. Wightiana, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 1853.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, at 4,500 ft. (Gamble); Deccan, in hills in Mysore, on Horsleykonda, Chittoor, 4,000 ft.; Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills of Salem; W. Gháts, in most Districts, above 3,000 ft.

An evergreen shrub with coriaceous elliptic-lanceolate even orbicular leaves mucronate at apex, very small flowers and small hard yellow drupe. Bark greyish-brown, rough; wood red, closegrained. Vern. *Mar.* Popli.

## 4. Scleropyrum, Arnott.

Trees with axillary spines. Leaves alternate, coriaceous. Flowers polygamous, in short catkin-like spikes at the leafless nodes of the branchlets. Perianth-tube of  $\circlearrowleft$  flowers solid, of  $\circlearrowleft$  or  $\circlearrowleft$  flowers adnate to the ovary; lobes 4—5, valvate or sub-imbricate, with a tuft of hair behind the stamens. Stamens 4—5, inserted at the base of the lobes; filaments bifid, the anther-cells on separate branches, dehiscing transversely. Disk annular, undulate. Ovary inferior; ovules 3, pendulous from the top of a central column; style short; stigma large, peltate. Fruit a pyriform drupe on a thickened pedicel, crowned by the remains of the perianth-lobes; exocarp thick, fleshy, endocarp hard. Seed 1, globose; albumen copious; embryo terete, central; cotyledons oblong.

SCLEROPYRUM WALLICHIANUM, Arn.; F. B. I. v. 234; Wt. Ic. t. 241.

Pyrularia Wallichiana, A. DC.; Bedd. Fl. t. 304.

W. Gháts, S. Canara to Travancore, in evergreen forests, up to

3,000 ft.; Coorg and Wynaad, 3,000-5,000 ft.

A small tree with thick, sharp, conical spines, small reddish flowers and large red drupe, the leaves ovate-oblong, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad, 3—5-ribbed at base.

## Family CXXXIII. BALANOPHORACEAE.

Glabrous, fleshy root-parasites, without leaves, stomata or chlorophyll, the rhizomes hard and warted, through the rind of which the flowering stems burst irregularly and are usually stout and scaly. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, crowded in large globose or elongate stoutly-peduncled heads, the of and of flowers very dissimilar; the of 3—8 valvate perianth-lobes, fairly large, sometimes 0; the of without perianth and very minute or confluent with the ovary, often mixed with clavate bodies. Stamens as many as the perianth-lobes and opposite to them or the filaments connate in a column or tube; anthers free or connate, 2—many-celled, opening by pores or valves or bursting irregularly. Ovary 1—3-celled, ovule 1 in each cell usually pendulous; styles 1—2 or 0, stigmas simple or capitellate. Fruit minute, 1-seeded. Seed usually adherent to the pericarp, testa thin or 0, albumen granular and oily; embryo very minute.

# Balanophora, Forst.

Glabrous fleshy herbs with a tuberous rootstock warted with lenticels abounding in a waxy secretion. Peduncles bursting through the rootstock, which forms a ring or sheath at their base. Flowers: of with a perianth of 2—6 valvate lobes, stamens 2—∞, the filaments 0 or connate in a column, the anthers (in our species) horse-shoe-shaped; Q without perianth, ovary ellipsoid, 1-celled; style long, slender; stigma simple, many minute flowers surrounding a clavate body. Fruit minute, crustaceous. Seed globose; albumen oily; embryo of 2—3 cells only.

 Heads in & obovoid or subglobose, in Q globose, often very large; perianth-lobes usually 4, short, obtuse, erect; staminal column short.................2. indica.

1. Balanophora dioica, R. Br.; F. B. I. v. 237.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam (Gamble).

As the of flowers only are available, the identification is uncertain.

Balanophora indica, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 237.
 W. Gháts, in the hills from Nilgiris to Travancore, up to 5,000 ft.

A thick rather common parasite, often very large, especially with the globose Q heads, reddish-brown or purple.

# Family CXXXIV. BUXACEAE.

Trees or shrubs, rarely herbs. Leaves opposite or alternate, usually coriaceous and evergreen; stipules 0. Flowers unisexual, usually monoecious, in axillary or rarely terminal spikes or racemes, the of and Q usually adjoining each other but the Q sometimes distinct; bracteate and bracteolate. Perianth calyciform, the lobes free and imbricate. Stamens as many as and usually opposite to the perianth-lobes; filaments erect, broad; anthers dorsifixed, the cells dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 2—3-celled, rarely more, the cells 1—2-ovuled, the ovules with dorsal raphe; styles 2—3, short, usually recurved. Fruit a 2—3-celled capsule, or an indehiscent berry. Seeds 2—3 in each cell, often reduced to 1; testa crustaceous, smooth; albumen copious; cotyledons fleshy, flattened; radicle superior.

### Sarcococca, Lindl.

Glabrous evergreen shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire, penni- or tripli-nerved. Flowers in short axillary racemes, monoecious, the Q below the of; bract 1; bracteoles few in of, more numerous and decussate in Q. Perianth-lobes 4 in of, 4—6 in Q in opposite pairs. Stamens 4, opposite the perianth-lobes; filaments thick; anthers adnate to their tops, cells introrse. Ovary 2—3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell, the raphe dorsal; styles 2, recurved, the inner faces furrowed and papillose. Fruit an indehiscent coriaceous or fleshy berry, the endocarp hard. Seeds 1—2; testa membranous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat, cordate.

1. SARCOCOCCA TRINERVIA, Wt. Ic. t. 1877. S. saligna var. densiflora, Muell. Arg. S. pruniformis, Lindl.; F. B. I. v. 266 in part.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, 4,500 ft. (Gamble), Daringabadi (Barber), hills of Vizagapatam (A. W. Lushington);

W. Gháts, from Nilgiris southwards, usually at 4,000-7,000 ft., sometimes at low levels, S. Canara (Beddome), usually in forest undergrowth.

A large evergreen shrub. Bark light brown; wood white, closegrained, like boxwood, sometimes used for walking-sticks.

2. Sarcococca Brevifolia, Stapf in Herb. Kew. S. saligna var. brevifolia, Muell. Arg. W. Gháts, Nilgiris, on Doddabetta 8,000 ft., in Shola under-

growth.

An evergreen shrub.

The Box, Buxus sempervirens, Linn., is commonly used for hedges on the Cinchona Estates in Nilgiris.

# Family CXXXV. EUPHORBIACEAE.

Herbs, shrubs or trees, rarely climbers, often with milky juice. Leaves alternate or opposite, simple or rarely compound, usually stipulate, often glandular. Flowers usually small, often minute, monoecious or dioecious, the inflorescence variable. Perianth usually calycine, rarely petaloid, sometimes of both calyx and corolla, sometimes wanting in one or both sexes. Calyx inferior, valvate or imbricate, often different in the sexes. Petals when present free, sometimes scale-like, sometimes absent or different in the sexes. Stamens various, definite or indefinite; filaments free or connate; anthers 2-celled, the cells parallel or divaricate, dehiscing longitudinally or sometimes transversely. Disk various, usually annular, entire or lobed, or of free scales or 0. Ovary usually sessile, rarely stipitate, usually 3-celled; ovules in each cell 1 or 2, pendulous from the inner angle; style usually as many as the cells, free or more or less connate, erect or spreading, the inner faces usually stigmatic. Fruit usually capsular of 2-valved cocci separating from a persistent axis, sometimes indehiscent or drupaceous, 1-3-celled. Seeds attached laterally near to or above the middle of the cell with or without a caruncle or arillus; albumen usually copious fleshy; embryo straight, the radicle superior, the cotyledons broad and flat.

Cells of the ovary 2-ovuled except in 1:— (1—26) Flowers distinct, not contained in an involucre:-Leaves simple, alternate:— (2—24)
Petals present, small:— (2—4)

Calyx valvate; filaments combined in a column:—

Petals wanting; calyx-lobes imbricate in bud: (5-24) Disk present, usually conspicuous and of glands: (5-15) Flowers, at any rate 3, in clusters:— (5—14)
Fruit a dry capsule of 3 2-valved cocci:— (5—11) Calyx-lobes 6 in both 3 and 9:- (5-7)

Stamens 3, the filaments connate:—
Stamens small, not apiculate; styles short, bifid, sunk in the
top of the ovary
Stamens 6, the filaments free
Stamens 5 the filaments connate
Stamens 5, the filaments connate
not at all
10. Reidia. Calyx-lobes 4 in both 3 and 9; stamens 4, the filaments free
Fruit a berry:— (12—13)
Fruit small, fleshy, with 6-12 crustaceous seeds: ovules superposed:
calyx-lobes 5
Calyx-lobes 5—6; stamens 3, the filaments connate13. Emblica. Calyx-lobes 4; stamens 4, the filaments free
Fruit dry or fleshy with 6 cocci; stamens 5, the filaments free, alternating with the disk-glands and surrounding the pistillode
14. Fluggea.
Flowers in spikes or racemes, often panicled; ovary 1-celled 15. Antidesma.
Disk central, orbicular; stamens 4 to many:—
Ovary 1-celled; drupe 1-seeded
Ovary 2—4-celled; drupe 2—4-seeded
Anthers sessile on the angle of the column; calvx of both of and Q
spreading
Disk wanting:— (20—24)
Stamens connate by their connectives in a column; styles also connate
in a column: flowers in clusters
Stamens free or rarely connate by their filaments:— (21—24) Flowers in spikes or racemes:—
Fruit capsular:—
Seeds without an aril; stamens 1-5; d flowers in catkin-like
spikes, Q in clusters
in fascicles on the trunk
Fruit a drupe with woody endocarn: flowers in axillary racemes:
stamens 5 or more
Leaves simple, whorled; calyx-lobes 5—6
Cells of the ovary 1-ovuled:— (27—57)
Filaments inflexed in bud; o calyx imbricate valvate or nearly open; pistillode 0; indumentum scaly or stellate
Filaments erect, rarely inflexed, but then pistillode conspicuous:— (28—56)
Calvx in $\beta$ valvate:— $(28-45)$
Petals present in 3 flowers:— (28—30) Calyx 5-lobed, closed in bud then regularly valvate; herbs or undershrubs
very stellate-hairy
Calvx irregularly valvate: trees or shrubs:—
Not lepidote or stellate-pilose; pistillode prominent29. Agrostistachys. Lepidote or stellate-pilose; fruit drupaceous, indehiscent30 Aleurites.
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Petals in 6 flowers 0:— (31—45)
Partial inflorescence not involucrate:— (31—44) Filaments free or shortly connate:— (31—44)
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Filaments not branched:— (31—41)
Styles free or only slightly connate:— (31—40)
Anthers not vermiculitorm or linear:— (31—39)
Anther-cells pendulous or adnate:— (31—37) Anthers 2-celled:— (31—35)
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Stamens numerous:—
Fruit indehiscent: styles linear
Fruit a capsule; styles plumose32. Mallotus.
Stamens 2—9:—
Filaments inflexed33. Symphyllia.
Filaments straight, dilated34. Coelodepas.
Filaments slender
Anthers 4-celled or 2-celled and 4-valved:
Connective produced: capsule large
Connective not produced; capsule small
Anther-cells discrete, ascending, divaricate
Racemes uniformly floriferous; cocci dehisting loculicidally
38. Claoxylon.
Racemes interrupted; cocci dehiscing loculiand septicidally
39. Micrococca.
Anthers vermiculiform or linear; styles laciniate40. Acalypha.
Styles connate; calyx of Q accrescent; stinging climbers
41. Iragia.
Filaments much branched; staminal bundles indefinite:—
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Calyx-lobes of $Q$ soon deciduous
Calyx-lobes of Q enlarged after flowering43. Lasiococca.
Leaves palmatilobed
Filaments connate in a column
Partial inflorescence involucrate; climbers
Calyx in of imbricate:— (46—54)
Petals present in & flowers:— (46—52)
Petals free:— (46—51)
Stamens numerous: — (46—50)
Flowers glomerate-spicate or racemose:— (40—48)
Calyx not or scarcely enlarged in fruit:— Flowers in 9 with petals
Flowers in Q with petals46. Ostodes.
Flowers in Q with no or very minute petalsCodiaeum.
Calyx enlarged under the fruit:—
Flowers in $Q$ with petals
Flowers in $\varphi$ apetalous48. Blachia.
Flowers paniculate, the panicles branching dichasially:
Leaves palmatinerved 49. Jatropha.
Leaves penninerved
Stamens 3—8, usually 351. Trigonostemon.
Leaves palmatinerved
Petals in of flowers 0:—
Leaves usually deeply lobed; of calyx large, coloured
Leaves not lobed; of calyx small, not coloured:—
Disk of 6 outside the stamens; leaves not punctate53. Baliospermum.
Disk-glands large or only peripheric; leaves pellucid-punctate
54. Gelonium.
Calyx of 3 open or slightly imbricate, usually much reduced; disk 0:—
Calyx of 6 3-lobed; stamens 3 or 2:—
Seeds carunculate; herbs
Calyx of 3 2—3-lobed; stamens 2—3; seeds not carunculate57. Sapium.
Caryx of 0 2—3-tobed; staniens 2—3; seeds not cardiculate57. Sapium.
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#### 1. Euphorbia, Linn.

Herbs, shrubs or small trees of various habit and with copious milky, usually acrid, juice. Leaves alternate or opposite, usually entire, often (in the fleshy species) caducous or much reduced; stipules various. Flowers monoecious, combined in an inflorescence of many of florets surrounding a solitary Q and accompanied by many bracteoles, usually setaceous, but sometimes combined in a sheath, sometimes 0; the whole enclosed in a 4-5-lobed turbinate or campanulate involucre, having also between the lobes at their sinuses thick glands, which have sometimes horns and sometimes a petaloid spreading limb. Perianth 0 or of minute scales. Stamen in of florets solitary, the filament jointed on a pedicel; anther 2-celled, erect, the cells usually subglobose, opening longitudinally. Floret of Q a 3-celled ovary on an often decurved pedicel; ovule solitary in each cell; styles 3, free or connate; stigmas simple or 2-fid. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci separating elastically from a persistent axis, and dehiscing ventrally or both ventrally and dorsally. Seeds albuminous; testa more or less crustaceous, often with a caruncle; cotyledons flat; radicle superior.

Herbs, prostrate or ascending; leaves opposite; glands of involucre 4-5, usually with a petaloid limb:-

Erect and dichotomously branching; limb of gland more or less conspicuous,

Floral leaves distichous, imbricate, enclosing the involucres which are solitary or 2-3 only:-

Limb of gland entire or sinuate; leaves cordate, usually unequally, at base, minutely areolate-reticulate, serrulate: -

Limb of gland scarcely 05 in. long; plants nearly or quite glabrous; leaves elliptic-oblong, obtuse:-

Cocci obtusely keeled, hirsute or glabrous; seeds obtusely 4-angled, transversely furrowed or glabrous; limb white...........l. pycnostegia. Cocci keeled and angled at base, nearly glabrous; seeds ovoid, papillose; 

Limb of gland glabrous or nearly so; leaves very small; cocci hirsute; 

Floral leaves not distichous and imbricate:-

Limb of gland multifid almost to the base, the gland itself minute; leaves membranous, elliptic or oblong, obtuse, distantly serrulate, up to .75 in. long; cocci glabrous, keeled; seeds with 3-4 parallel furrows...6. longistyla. Limb of gland entire, not multifid:-

Cocci with 2 dorsal wings; seeds obtusely 4-angled, papillose; involucres in small cymes, the limb of the gland rounded, white; leaves linear-

Cocci not winged:-Involucres in subcorymbose terminal cymes; limb of gland broadly rounded, pink or white; leaves linear-oblong, coriaceous; obtusely acute, unequally cordate at base, up to 1 in. long, 2 in. broad; cocci glabrous, 

Involucres in terminal and axillary cymes:-Dwarf glabrous seashore shrub with fleshy branches and leaves, the latter elliptic, obtuse, unequally rounded at base, up to 1 in. long,

Erect herbs, also with many prostrate or spreading branches:—
Limb of gland pink, the 2 upper large obliquely oblong, obtuse or notched, the 2 lower small; leaves green, obliquely obovate or linear-spathulate, crenulate at tip, up to ·5 in. long, ·25 in. broad; cocci obtusely keeled, minutely papillose; seeds with shallow furrows 12. rosea.

Prostrate herbs with very small leaves; involucres solitary or in small axillary cymes; limb of gland minute or 0:—

Stems hispidly hairy; capsules pubescent or hirsute; leaves areolate-reticulate:—
Cocci rounded or only slightly obtusely keeled, covered with appressed stiff
hairs; seeds 4-angled with faint furrows; leaves oblong or ovate, crenulate
at tip, obliquely subcordate at base, up to 25 in. long, the nerves obscure
14. thymifolia.

Cocci prominently keeled, with stiff spreading hairs on the keels; seeds 4-angled, with deep furrows; leaves elliptic or obovate, crenulate, oblique at base, up to 3 in. long, 3-nerved, the nerves all prominent.........15. prostrata. Stem and capsules glabrous, the latter obtusely keeled; seeds obtusely 4-angled, glabrous, sometimes faintly furrowed; leaves elliptic or obovate, rounded or emarginate, oblique at base, rarely over 15 in. long, the nerves obscure 16. microphylla.

Branches spreading, unarmed, cylindric; leaves 0 or small and linear-oblong, deciduous; involucres pedicelled, clustered in the axils of the branchlets; glands peltate; cocci subglobose, smooth, 3 in. long; seeds ovoid, smooth 18. Tirucalli.

Leaves large, oblanceolate, usually at least 6 in. long; involucres usually in threes on a short fleshy peduncle, the lobes fimbriate, the glands transversely oblong:—

Leaves small, usually very early deciduous; branches angular:-

Styles simple:-

Styles bifid at apex:-

25. tortilis.

Herbs with erect stems umbellately branched above, the lower leaves or sometimes all alternate, the upper opposite; glands of involucre without a petaloid limb:— Glands of the involucre 2-horned; capsule smooth; seeds carunculate:—

7. Rothiana

Glands of the involucre not horned:-

Glands peltate; cocci rounded, smooth; leaves oblanceolate, acute, serrate, the upper larger, up to 1.5 in. long, those near the involucres ovate to cordate; lobes of the involucre narrow, ciliate, longer than the glands.......28. peltata. Glands oblong; capsules smooth, the cocci rounded; seeds reciculate, carunculate; leaves obovate or spathulate, obtuse, serrulate, the floral larger, up to 2 in. long; lobes of the involucre fimbriate.................29. helioscopia.

1. Euphorbia pycnostegia, Boiss.; F. B. I. v. 246.

W. Gháts, hills of S. Canara and Malabar.

A slender branching herb, glabrous except the floral internodes and capsule, the leaves up to 1.5 in. long, 5 in. broad, floral leaves smaller, ovate; cocci hirsute.

Var. laxa, Boiss. Floral heads more open, cocci glabrous, also seeds. Bababudan Hills of Mysore, at 5,000 ft. (Talbot, Meebold).

2. Euphorbia zornioides, Boiss.; F. B. I. v. 246.

Bababudan Hills of Mysore at 3,500 ft. (Meebold); Anamalais

(Beddome).

A slender glabrous herb, with woody stem, the leaves narrow, mucronate, floral leaves small, ovate, gradually smaller upwards, ciliate on the edges.

3. Euphorbia elegans, Spr.; F. B. I. v. 146.

N. Circars and Deccan from Godavari to Kurnool, in shady places in deciduous forest.

An erect herb or undershrub with conspicuous floral leaves and pink flowers, the leaves scarcely 1 in. long.

4. Euphorbia fimbriata, Heyne in Roth Nov. Sp. Pl. 227. E. cristata, Hook. f. in F. B. I. v. 247 in part.

Deccan, Sakrabile in Mysore (Barber); Tinnevelly Gháts (Beddome).

[Euphorbia.

A dwarf undershrub with thick rootstock and many short branchlets, the involucre very villous.

5. EUPHORBIA CRISTATA, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 247.

Deccan and Carnatic, from the Kistna river southwards, west to the E. slopes of the Gháts, in forest undergrowth, up to 3,000 ft.

A straggling undershrub with thick rootstock.

6. EUPHORBIA LONGISTYLA, Boiss.; F. B. I. v. 247.

Deccan, in the Ceded Districts, up to 2,000 ft. (Heyne, Wight, Gamble).

An erect delicate herb reaching 10 in. in height, with slender root and numerous filiform branches, the long styles conspicuous.

7. EUPHORBIA NOTOPTERA, Boiss.; F. B. I. v. 247.
W. Coast in rice-fields and other cultivated land, on laterite soil in S. Canara (Fischer).
A slender erect herb with narrow, usually deflexed leaves.

8. Euphorbia linearifolia, Roth; F. B. I. v. 249.

Deccan, at Cumbum in Kurnool (Bourne) also, but without geographical locality (Heyne and Wight).

A glabrous glaucous herb with thick rootstock and branches. Roth says that the limb is pink with a red spot.

EUPHORBIA ATOTO, FORST.; F. B. I. v. 248.
 W. Coast, in S. Canara, Malabar and Travancore, on the seacoast.
 A fleshy shrub with long stout rootstock and stout muchbranched stems.

10. Euphorbia hypericifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 249.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, west to the E. slopes of the Gháts, up to 3,000 ft., common.

A slender herb reaching 1—2 ft. high.

11. Euphorbia Hirta, Linn. E. pilulifera, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 250.

All plains Districts, especially on roadsides and waste land, common.

A straggling ascending hispid herb reaching 1—2 ft. high.

12. EUPHORBIA ROSEA, Retz; F. B. I. v. 251.

N. Circars, coast of Ganjam; S. Deccan and Carnatic, on sandy soils, especially near the coast.

A herb with long rootstock and many prostrate branches, the styles long and conspicuous. The coast form (E. auricularia, Boiss.) has the two upper limbs of the glands shorter and broader and the leaves more rounded and fleshy.

13. Euphorbia corricioloides, Boiss.; F. B. I. v. 251.

S. Deccan and Carnatic, usually near the coast, but also inland to Bellary.

A herb with stout rootstock and many branches which are often long and trailing with leaves in distinct pairs, often conspicuous with a red blotch.

- 14. Euphorbia thymifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 252.
  - All plains Districts and on hills in Deccan and Carnatic at low elevations, often a roadside and garden weed. An annual prostrate herb.
- 15. EUPHORBIA PROSTRATA, Ait.; F. B. I. v. 266.
  - Deccan and Carnatic, occasionally, usually probably as a weed in gardens. An introduced plant, native of W. Indies. A prostrate herb.
- 16. Euphorbia microphylla, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 252.
  - Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, especially near the sea and on river banks.
  - A glabrous herb with prostrate branches, spreading star-like from the root.
- Var. nilagirica. E. nilagirica, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 265. A rather larger plant with larger leaves and more sharply keeled cocci.
  - Nilgiri Hills (Hohenacker), probably at low levels in dry places.
- 17. Euphorbia acaulis, Roxb. E. fusiformis, Buch.-Ham. in Don Prodr. 62; F. B. I. v. 257.
  - Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).
  - A dwarf unarmed glabrous herb, flowering in the hot season, the leaves up to 9 in. or more long, the tuber often very large, even to 2 ft.
- 18. Euphorbia Tirucalli, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 254.
  - Most plains Districts, naturalized and cultivated as a hedge plant, native of tropical Africa. Milk Bush.
  - A large shrub or small tree. Flowers very small, the bracteoles among the of laciniate at tip; bark greenish-brown; wood white or grey, moderately hard, said to give a good powder charcoal. Vern. Hind. Sehnd; Tam., Mal. Tiru Kalli.
- 19. EUPHORBIA CADUCIFOLIA, Haines in Ind. For. xl. 154; Fischer in Kew Bull. 1925, 341.
  - Deccan, hills of Palnád in Guntur, hills of Kurnool and Cuddapah, among rocks (Fischer).
  - A much-branched thorny shrub with smooth green bark. Vern. Tel. Kattai-jemadu.
- 20. Euphorbia Nivulia, Buch.-Ham.; F. B. I. v. 255; Wt. Ic. t. 1862. N. Circars and Deccan to Mysore and Coimbatore, on rocky hills in dry open forests; often also cultivated.
  - A tree with straight trunk reaching 10—30 ft., the branches whorled. Wood white, soft, even-grained. The milky juice is used in medicine. Vern. Tam. Kalli; Kan. Yelli Kalli.
- 21. EUPHORBIA NERIIFOLIA, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 255.
  - Cultivated and sometimes run wild, chiefly in Northern Districts.
  - A small tree 6-15 ft. high with whorled branches.
- 22. Euphorbia Trigona, Haw.; F. B. I. v. 256 in part; Wt. Ic. t. 1863. Deccan, on dry rocky hills.
  - A small tree with thick trunk reaching 6—7 ft., the involucres in dichasioid cymes of 3, the middle one with Q flowers, the

others usually only of. The cocci are more or less compressed, the seeds smooth.

23. EUPHORBIA CATTIMANDOO, W. Elliot in Wt. Ic. t. 1993. E. trigona, Haw.; F. B. I. v. 256 in part.

N. Circars, dry hills about Vizagapatam (W. Elliot); Deccan, hills of Kistna and Kurnool.

An erect shrub or small tree, giving an abundant milk which hardens to a kind of gutta-percha.

24. Euphorbia antiquorum, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 255; Wt. Ic. t. 897.

Low hills and rocky ground in most dry Districts, also commonly cultivated as a hedge plant.

A small tree, reaching 25 ft. high, the involucres in short cymes of 3, the cocci compressed. Vern. Hind. Tidhara-Sehnd; Tam. Sadura-Kalli.

25. Euphorbia tortilis, Rottl. ex Wt. Ic. t. 898; F. B. I. v. 256. Tel. Pedda jamadu.

Carnatic, from Nellore to Thinnevelly, on dry hills.

An erect shrub with thin-winged branchlets bearing involucres in cymes of 3.

26. EUPHORBIA DRACUNCULOIDES, Lamk.; F. B. I. v. 262.

N. Circars and Deccan, on dry waste lands and in cultivated ground in the plains.

A much-branched glaucous herb with very narrow leaves.

27. Euphorbia Rothiana, Spr.; F. B. I. v. 263; Wt. Ic. t. 1864.
N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam, 4,000 ft. (Fischer);
Deccan, hills of Mysore and Coimbatore; W. Gháts, in all Districts, at 4,000—7,000 ft., usually in damp places.
An erect glabrous glaucous herb, the flowering branches whorled with conspicuous floral leaves.

Var. pubescens, Boiss. Branchlets and leaves softly pubescent. Coorg (Hohenacker).

28. EUPHORBIA PELTATA, Roxb.; F. B. I. v. 262.

Interior of the Coromandel Coast (Roxburgh), see Fl. Ind. and Icon. 1248 in Herb. Kew.

A small annual erect herb.

29. Euphorbia helioscopia, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 262.

Nilgiri Hills, introduced and run wild, native of Europe and temperate Asia. Sun Spurge.

An erect annual herb.

Euphorbia pulcherrima, Willd., the Poinsettia, is a well-known ornamental garden shrub with bright crimson or occasionally yellow or white floral leaves. E. heterophylla, Linn., is an annual herb from Tropical America, which is often found as a weed in Indian gardens. It has narrow floral leaves, green near the apex and nearly reddish at base. E. splendens, Boj., is a small prickly very much branched shrub with showy crimson flowers, common in gardens in the plains. It is a native of Madagascar.

#### 2. Bridelia, Willd.

Shrubs or trees, sometimes climbing; stems often spinose. Leaves alternate, entire, usually with prominent nerves and transverse nervules; stipules early deciduous. Flowers small, monoecious or dioecious, in axillary or spicate clusters, sessile or shortly pedicelled; bracts small, scale-like. Calyx of 5 valvate lobes. Petals 5, small, alternate with the calvx-lobes, in of usually stalked, cucullate and dentate, in Q spathulate. Disk flat, the of with an annular rim, the Q with an inner corona, erect and enclosing the ovary. Stamens 5, on an erect gonophore, the filaments radiating from it and surrounding a pistillode, anther-cells parallel. Ovary 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles 2, free or shortly united, forked or subentire. Fruit a drupe, with 1-2 usually single-seeded pyrenes. Seed with usually fleshy albumen; cotyledons thin, usually broad and truncate or emarginate; radicle superior.

Trees or shrubs; fruits globose or didymous, the pyrenes more or less furrowed; stipules narrow:-

Main nerves strong, straight, parallel, joining a marginal thickened one, more

than 15 pairs, cross-nervules also many and parallel:—

Flowers in clusters in spikes, monoecious, the 9 much larger than the 6; leaves chartaceous, elliptic oblong or obovate, acute obtuse or even retuse at apex, usually obtuse at base, glabrous or puberulous beneath, up to 9 in. long, 4 in. broad, main nerves often forked near the margin; drupe black, globose, 

drupe globose, 3 in. in diam., the pyrene furrows rather shallow, the ridges

Leaves oblong lanceolate or oblanceolate, acute at apex, acute or obtuse at base, glaucous and pubescent beneath, up to 4 in long, 1.5 in broad; drupe globose, black, 2 in. in diam., the pyrene furrows deep, the ridges radiating 

spikes with small leaves and zig-zag rachises, usually monoecious, but the & and Q on separate spikes:-

Disk of the Q flowers with a ring of bristles at the base within, the calyx not enlarged in fruit; leaves elliptic, obtuse at apex, rounded or cordate at base, fulvous-pubescent beneath, up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad, the main nerves 7-10 pairs, parallel, joining a marginal one, the transverse nervules also more 

1. Bridelia retusa, Spreng.; F. B. I. v. 268 in part; Bedd. Fl. t. 260; Brand. For. Fl. t. 55. Cluytia spinosa, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 172.

All Forest Districts, especially in the N. Circars and in deciduous forests, though usually by streams and in ravines, in the

hills up to 3,500 ft.

A small or moderate-sized tree, with conical thorns on the stems and branches when young. Bark grey or brown; wood grey to olive-brown, with a pretty silver grain, useful and durable. Vern. *Hind.* Kaj, Kassi; *Ur.* Kosi; *Tel.* Koramaddi, Verri Karaka; *Tam.* Mulu Maruthu; *Mal.* Mukkayini; *Kan.* Asana.

2. Bridelia Roxburghiana, Gehrm. in Engl. Jahrb. xli, Beibl. 95, 30. B. retusa, Spr., var. Roxburghiana, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 268.

W. Gháts, in all Districts of the hills up to 5,000 ft., especially on the E. side; hills of Mysore and N. Coimbatore; Shevaroy Hills of Salem.

A large tree, probably throny when young, the branches with shining bark, the branchlets fulvous-tomentose.

3. Bridelia cinerascens, Gehrm. l. c. B. retusa, Spr., var. glauca,

Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 268.

Deccan, Palkonda Hills of Cuddapah (Fischer), Veligonda Hills of Nellore (M. S. Ramaswami), Kambakam Hills of Chingleput (K. Rangachari).

A moderate-sized tree, apparently throny when young, the

flowers greenish-yellow, the drupe purple-black.

4. Bridelia tomentosa, Blume; F. B. I. v. 271.

N. Circars, in forest, Ganjam (Gamble); Palkonda Hills of Vizagapatam (Sir W. Elliot); Annavaram in Godavari (K. Rangachari).

A large shrub or small tree with nearly black slender branchlets, the leaves with about 10—12 pairs of curved parallel un-

branched main nerves.

5. Bridelia Montana, Willd.; F. B. I. 269 in part only; Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 171. B. Hamiltoniana, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 271.

N. Circars, Ganjam to Kistna in dry forests; Deccan, hills of

Cuddapah and Kurnool, up to 3,000 ft.

A large much-branching shrub or small tree, the leaves rather thin and large, and the stem tree-like in moister or more shady places, the leaves thick and small and often yellowish and the stems bushy in open dry ones, the main nerves very oblique, 6 to 10 pairs, usually branched near the margin. Vern. Tel. Pantenga.

6. Bridelia stipularis, Blume; F. B. I. v. 270, in part. Cluytia

scandens, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 173, not good.

N. Circars, Palkonda Hills of Vizagapatam (J. Campbell, Gamble), Lamsingi Hills (A. W. Lushington, Rangachari). A large climbing shrub, with fulvous-tomentose branches, often thorny when young, the leaves on flowering shoots small but often wanting.

7. Bridella scandens, Gehrm. B. stipularis, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 270

in part, not of Blume.

W. Ghats, S. Canara and Mysore to Travancore, up to 3,000 ft. A large climbing shrub with thorny stems and branches, the flowering spikes often long and distichous with small leaves.

#### 3. Cleistanthus, Hook f.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, bifarious, entire. Flowers monoecious, small, in axillary clusters or spikes of clusters, sessile or the Q pedicelled. Calyx of 5 or sometimes 6 valvate lobes, in the Q cupular under the ovary. Petals alternate with the calyx-lobes, minute. Disk in of flat or pulvinate, in Q with an inner corona, more or less enclosing the ovary. Stamens 5 or 6, on an erect gonophore, the filaments rising from it and enclosing a lobed pistillode; anther-cells parallel. Ovary 3-celled, usually with long hairs; ovules 2 in each cell; styles 3, free, bifid. Fruit a sessile or stipitate capsule with 3 2-valved cocci. Seed without aril or caruncle; albumen copious or scanty; cotyledons thin or fleshy, often folded.

1. CLEISTANTHUS COLLINUS, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 274. Cluytia collina, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 169.

N. Circars, common; Carnatic, in most Districts, in dry forests; Deccan, especially Hyderabad; Malabar (Bournes).

A small deciduous tree. Bark dark brown, rough; wood dark reddish-brown, hard and strong, valuable for houseposts and fences. The outer crust of the capsule is poisonous and used to kill fish. Vern. *Hind.* Garrar; *Ur.* Korada; *Tel.* Korei, Wodesha; *Tam.* Wodayu, Wodan.

CLEISTANTHUS PATULUS, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 279, Amanoa indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1911.

N. Circars, in Kallikota (Prain), Palkonda Hills of Vizagapatam (Gamble); Deccan, in Mysore, Kistna and Cuddapah (Beddome); Carnatic, Kambakam Hills in Chingleput, hills of Tinnevelly (Rangachari), chiefly in ravines or dry evergreen forest.

A small or moderate-sized tree with horizontal branches. Bark thin; wood "colour of dry rose leaves" (Roxb.), hard and close-grained. The seeds have very thin albumen and large fleshy truncate cotyledons.

3. CLEISTANTHUS TRAVANCORENSIS, Jablonszky in Engl. Pflanzenreich iv. 147. viii. 21.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of Travancore at 2,500 ft. (Bourdil-

lon).

A small tree.

4. CLEISTANTHUS MALABARICUS, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 276.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests from the Gairsoppa Falls (Talbot) to Travancore (fide Bourdillon in Trees Trav.), at 1,000—3,000 fr

A large shrub or small tree with fulvous-hairy capsules.

## 4. Actephila, Blume.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, usually large, entire; stipules deciduous. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, of in axillary clusters, short-pedicelled, Q solitary or few together, long-pedicelled, bracts small. Calyx-lobes 5, imbricate, in of small and rounded, in Q longer and oblong or lanceolate, often unequal. Petals small, inserted under the disk, in of oblong, in Q rounded. Disk broad, entire or lobed. Stamens 3—6 inserted on the disk, filaments shortly combined at the base in a gonophore enclosing a 3-cleft pistillode. Ovary sessile, 3-lobed; ovules 2 in each cell; styles short, free or connate at the base, entire or bifid. Fruit a hard septicidal capsule of 3 cocci. Seeds usually solitary in the cocci, 3-gonous, rounded on the outer face, flat on the 2 inner; testa loose and fragile, often with an inner one membranous; albumen 0 or very scanty; cotyledons fleshy, unequal, the interior one smaller.

ACTEPHILA EXCELSA, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 282. A. neilgherrensis,

Wt. Ic. t. 1910.

W. Gháts, most Districts, in evergreen forests, and Shola woods,

up to 6,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore.

A small tree reaching a height of 25 ft., with greyish-brown bark. Leaves somewhat coriaceous, shining, variable, lanceolate obovate or oblanceolate, acute, glabrous, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad; capsules depressed globose up to 1.5 in. in diameter. The Mysore specimens agree best with Dalzell's type; the rest are all Wight's neilgherrensis, possibly distinct.

# 5. Agyneia, Vent.

Glabrous herbs; stems often angular or compressed. Leaves small, alternate, entire; stipules acuminate. Flowers minute, monoecious,  $\sigma$  in axillary clusters,  $\Omega$  larger, solitary; bracts numerous, stipule-like. Calyx-lobes 6.  $\sigma$  gland-dotted and white-margined, hooded on the bark,  $\Omega$  acute, dotted but hardly margined. Petals 0. Disk in  $\Omega$  6-lobed, in  $\Omega$  0. Stamens 3, central, connate, the filaments combined in a gonophore column; cells parallel, extrorse. Ovary ovoid, 3-celled, truncate; ovules 2 in each cell; styles 3, very short, bifid, sunk in the top of the ovary. Fruit a capsule, splitting into 3 2-valved cocci. Seeds 6, slender, curved, with an elongated hilum; testa double, outer white, corky, inner membranous; albumen fleshy; embryo curved, the cotyledons flat.

Agyneia bacciformis, A. Juss.; F. B. I. v. 285; Wt. Ic. t. 1893.

East Coast, in grassy pastures near the sea.

An annual or biennial herb with straggling branches and small oblong elliptic or obovate leaves about '5 in. long, the capsules ovoid obtuse '25 in long.

### 6. Pseudoglochidion, Gamble.

Evergreen trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, bifarious, entire, very shortly petioled. Flowers small, dioecious, in axillary clusters. Calyx in of flowers of 6 biseriate imbricate lobes; in Q also 6-lobed, but smaller. Petals 0. Disk in of flowers conspicuous, of 6 fimbricate glands, in Q annular, crenate. Stamens 3, erect, slightly joined by their connectives or free, the filaments connate in a short column; anthers extrorse, the cells dehiscing longitudinally; the connective produced in an apiculus. Ovary ovoid, 3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles connate in a cylindric column, minutely 6-toothed at apex. Capsule 3—4-celled; depressed. Seeds trigonous, rounded on the back, often pitted on the faces; cotyledons fleshy, unequal.

Pseudoglochidion anamalayanum, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 330. W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills, about 4,000 ft. (Barber, Fischer).

A small tree reaching a height of 15 to 20 ft., the leaves lanceolate, up to 3.5 in. long, 1.25 in. broad, regularly nerved, glaucous beneath; the capsule 3—4-lobed, glabrous and 3—4 in. broad.

### 7. Chorisandra, Wight.

Shrub, branchlets pale and rough. Leaves membranous, glabrous, pinnately arranged on short slender branchlets; stipules minute. Flowers dioecious or monoecious, minute, of in dense axillary fascicles with short filiform pedicels; Q also axillary, with long slender pedicels. Calyx-lobes 6, smaller and more rounded in of than in Q. Disk flattened, with 6 depressed lobes alternating with the calyx-lobes. Stamens 6, erect with long free slender filaments; anthers short, the cells dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell, pendulous from the middle of the axis; style short, 3-lobed, the lobes bifid with recurved branches. Fruit a 3-celled papery capsule, splitting into 6 valves, but often only 3-seeded. Seeds small; testa loose; cotyledons small in rough albumen.

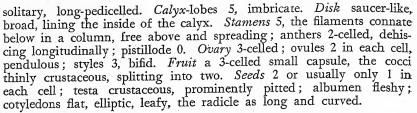
CHORISANDRA PINNATA, Wt. Ic. t. 1994.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, from Vizagapatam southwards to Madras, westwards to Cuddapah and Kurnool. It is common and more or less gregarious on laterite soils, especially in hollows to the W. of the Pulicat Lake.

A low branching shrub with very pale rough bark, hard wood and small ovate or elliptic very thin and easily detached leaflets.

# 8. Neopeltandra, Gamble.

Slender undershrubs. Leaves alternate, membranous; stipules small, ciliate, caducous. Flowers axillary, monoecious, of in short racemes covered with imbricating ciliate bracts, Q from below them,



Leaves ovate- or elliptic-lanceolate, long and sharply acuminate, acute or rounded at base, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 6—8 pairs; of flowers with ovate ciliate bracts, Q solitary with pedicel about 1 in. elongating to 3 in. in fruit; capsules 25 in. broad; seed curved 65 in. long, obscurely pitted

1. Neopeltandra longipes, Gamble. Phyllanthus longipes, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 287. Peltandra longipes, Wt. Ic. t. 1891.

W. Gháts, hills from Coimbatore to Anamalais and hills of

Tinnevelly in evergreen forests up to 6,000 ft.

A slender undershrub with white bark and very thin leaves.

2. Neopeltandra suberosa, Gamble. *Phyllanthus suberosus*, Wt. in Wall. Cat. 7910; F. B. I. v. 287.

Hills of the N. Circars, in Vizagapatam and Godavari; Deccan, Veligonda Hills of Nellore (Ramaswami); W. Gháts, Bolampatti Hills of Coimbatore (Fischer), Pulney Hills (Bourne).

A very slender undershrub with pale bark, the leaves very

membranous and variable in size.

### 9. Phyllanthus, Linn. (modified).

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves small, alternate, distichous, the branchlets resembling pinnate leaves; stipules narrow. Flowers very small, monoecious, in axillary clusters or solitary, bracteate. Calyx lobes 5—6, imbricate. Petals 0. Disk in of of small glands, in Q of glands or annular. Stamens 3, more or less free or the filaments combined in a column; anthers oblong or didymous, dehiscing vertically or transversely. Ovary 3-celled; styles 3, free or connate at base, 2-fid. Fruit a capsule with 3 crustaceous or thin 2-valved cocci. Seeds trigonous, rounded at back.

Anthers erect, the cells dehiscing vertically, the filaments united in a column:—Shrubs; seeds foveolate:—

Leaf branchlets 2—6 in. long; leaves oblong, obtuse or apiculate, 4—75 in. long, main nerves 6—8 pairs; styles spreading; seed-pits conspicuous

Herbs or small undershrubs:—

Capsules smooth, the seeds with concentric lines of minute tubercles, and minute cross-bars:—

Leaves glabrous, subcoriaceous, obovate or oblanceolate, cuneate, rounded or retuse at apex, mucronate, glaucous, up to 1.25 in. long; stipules lanceolate,

Anthers subglobose, the cells dehiscing transversely or on a slant:-

Stipules peltate, subsagittate; capsule more or less verrucose, seeds minutely tubercled; disk of d of large flat glands; filaments free:—

Disk of Q saucer-shaped, thin, wavy; style lobes recurved, flattened on the

ovary:-

Stipules not peltate, lanceolate; seeds with regular lines of very minute tubercles joined by minute cross-bars; filaments connate in a column:—

Leaves membranous, usually glaucous beneath:—
Leaves usually broadly obtuse at apex, very variable in size but usually under 5 in. long, elliptic-obovate or -oblong, prominently distichous so that the branchlets resemble pinnate leaves; anthers transversely dehiscing; disk

of  $\beta$  of minute glands, of Q saucer-shaped with erect lobes; styles recurved
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Leaves usually acute, sometimes rounded, at apex, elliptic or obovate, up

to at most .75 in. long:-

1. PHYLLANTHUS POLYPHYLLUS, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 290; Wt. Ic. t. 1895,

fig. 2.

Deccan, hill forests of Kurnool, Cuddapah, Chittoor and Nellore, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput; Carnatic, Javadi Hills in S. Arcot, S. to hills of Tinnevelly, up to 4,000 ft.; E. slopes of Nilgiris.

A shrub or small tree somewhat resembling Emblica officinalis

in leaf but quite different in fruit.

2. Phyllanthus Lawii, Grah.; F. B. I. v. 290.

N. Circars, in Godavari and Kistna; Carnatic, hills of Salem;

W. Gháts, Wynaad to Travancore, gregarious on the banks and in the beds of rocky rivers.

A straggling shrub with long purplish branches armed with stipular tubercles bearing small thorns, the flowers pink. Vern. Mal. Uri.

3. PHYLLANTHUS MADERASPATENSIS, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 292; Wt. Ic. t. 1895, fig. 3.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic on dry lands, especially black cotton soils and near the sea coast.

An erect or decumbent herb, sometimes nearly an undershrub.

4. Phyllanthus Rheedii, Wt. Ic. t. 1895, fig. I (poor); F. B. I. v. 293. W. Gháts, most Districts from S. Canara to Nilgiris, Anamalais, and the hills of Tinnevelly above 5,000 ft. A slender branching erect herb, the calyx-lobes usually white-

margined.

5. PHYLLANTHUS URINARIA, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 293. P. leprocarpus, Wt. Ic. t. 1895, fig. 4.

All plains Districts, in forest undergrowth and among grasses,

up to 3,000 ft.

An annual or perennial erect herb, with more or less sensitive leaflets, which are sometimes pink when young.

6. Phyllanthus Narayanswamii, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 329. N. Circars, Rampa Hills of Godavari, at 4,500 ft. (V. Narayanswami), perhaps on rocks.

A small wiry undershrub with many branchlets from a stout

rootstock.

7. PHYLLANTHUS SIMPLEX, Retz.; F. B. I. v. 295. Macraea oblongifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1902, fig. 1.

N. Circars and Carnatic from the Chilka Lake to Madras; Deccan, in N. Coimbatore, on hot dry soils, up to 3,000 ft. in hilly country.

A stiff almost woody herb with long flattened branches.

8. PHYLLANTHUS GARDNERIANUS, Baill. P. simplex, var. Gardneriana. F. B. I. v. 295, Macraea Gardneriana, Wt. Ic. t. 1902, fig. 3. M. ovalifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1902, fig. 4.

W. Gháts, in all Districts from S. Canara to Tinnevelly, but especially common in Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, above

5.000 ft.

A slender undershrub with woody rootstock and long branches, the leaves smaller in size upwards, plants of dry hill tops often dwarfed and with very small leaves.

9. PHYLLANTHUS MACRAEI, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 296. Macraea

Rheedii, Wt. Ic. t. 1901.

W. Gháts, Sholas of the Pulney Hills at 5,000-7,000 ft. (Bourne, etc.); Agastiamalai Peak, Tinnevelly (Barber). A shrub, apparently reaching 2-3 ft. in height, with long weak flattened branchlets and capsules prominently warted when wet, leaf margins sometimes ciliate.

Var. hispidus. Branchlets and leaves softly hispid, the latter usually

cordate at base.

Pulney Hills, on the outer edges of woods (Wight), Levinge's Path, 7,000 ft. (Munch).

PHYLLANTHUS ROTUNDIFOLIUS, Klein; F. B. I. v. 299.
 N. Circars and Carnatic, sands on the sea-coast.

A prostrate or slightly ascending fleshy herb with stout rootstock and long trailing branches.

11. PHYLLANTHUS NIRURI, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 298; Wt. Ic. t. 1894.

All plains Districts, a weed of gardens and cultivated land. A branching annual herb reaching 12—18 in. high. It is often used in native medicine. Vern. Hind. Jar-amla.

12. PHYLLANTHUS DEBILIS, Herb. Ham.; F. B. I. v. 299.

N. Circars and Carnatic, in shady places in the hill forests, West to the E. slopes of the Gháts.

An erect slender herb or undershrub with many very slender branchlets.

13. PHYLLANTHUS MISSIONIS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 297.

W. Gháts, on E. slopes, Coimbatore to Tinnevelly, at low levels. An erect undershrub with rather distant leaves.

P. speciosus, Jacq., is a shrub with flattened branches, often found in gardens in the plains.

### 10. Reidia, Wight.

Shrubs or undershrubs, usually with erect stems bearing many spreading branchlets towards the top. Leaves alternate, usually membranous; stipules small, often many and persistent. Flowers monoecious, axillary, of and Q in fasicles, the of with rather short filiform pedicels, the Q with longer pedicels widening upwards; bracts very small, often numerous and imbricate. Calyx-lobes in of 4, in Q 6, persistent and sometimes enlarging in fruit. Corolla 0. Disk in of of 4 glands alternate with the calyx-lobes, in Q of 6 glands combined in a fleshy ring or cup. Stamens 2 or 4, the filaments united in a column around a pistillode; anthers dehiscing horizontally. Ovary 3-celled, 2 ovules in each cell; styles 3, deeply 2-fid. Fruit a capsule of 3 thinly crustaceous 2-valved cocci. Seeds triangular, glabrous or appressed hairy; cotyledons oblong.

Calyx-lobes of  $\circlearrowleft$  not dentate or lacerate:—

Leaves large, at least 1 in. long; flowers usually fascicled:—

Calyx-lobes of  $\circlearrowleft$  greatly enlarged in fruit and closely imbricate; disk in  $\circlearrowleft$ 



annular, in Q saucer-shaped; leaves elliptic or elliptic-oblong, acute or obtuse, rounded at base, equal-sided, up to 2.5 in. long, 1 in. broad.....4. macrocalyx. Calyx-lobes of  $\mathcal{Q}$  larger than those of  $\mathcal{S}$  but less enlarged in fruit.

Flowers of both  $\delta$  and Q axillary to the leaves, the Q rather large; calyx-lobes ovate, glandular-striate, disk in  $\delta$  broadly 4-lobed, in Q flat; leaves ovate, acute, obtuse at base, glaucous beneath, up to 2 in. long, Flowers in leaf-axils and also on long terminal leafless branchlets with linear bracts and stipules; calyx-lobes orbicular, disk tubercled; leaves triangularovate, acuminate, rounded at base, nearly equal-sided, reticulately nerved, Leaves small, under 1 in. long; branchlets prominently rough with many

stipules; flowers solitary:-Capsule glabrous; calyx-lobes of  $\sigma$  ovate, of  $\varphi$  oblong, reflexed after flowering; disk-lobes of  $\sigma$  small and distinct, of  $\varphi$  a small ring; leaves obliquely unequally obovate, acute at base, glaucous beneath, up to 75 in. long

Capsule densely covered with soft branched hairs:-Calyx-lobes ovate acuminate ciliate; disk-glands truncate; dotted; leaves obliquely ovate-oblong, apiculate, pale beneath, softly villous, up to 1 in. 

1. Reidia Gageana, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 331. W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forest at about 2,000 ft. (Lawson, Beddome). An undershrub, remarkable for the densely clustered of flower with much lacerate calyx-lobes in ♂, less so in ♀, the ends

of the branchlets leafless, but many-stipular.

2. Reidia fimbriata, Wt. Ic. t. 1904, fig. 1. Phyllanthus fimbriatus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 302.

W. Gháts, Sispara Ghát in Nilgiris, at 4,000 ft. (Beddome,

Gamble).

A glabrous shrub, the capsule nearly '25 in. in diam.

3. Reidia megacarpa, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 332. W. Gháts, Devala in S.E. Wynaad at 3,000 ft. (Gamble). A glabrous undershrub with large pale-coloured capsule, soon splitting, the seeds appressed-hairy.

4. Reidia macrocalyx, Gamble, n. comb. Phyllanthus macrocalyx, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 301. R. latifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1904, fig. 2? Bababudan Hills, Mysore (Law.); Sivagiri Hills, Tinnevelly (Wight).

A much-branched undershrub.

5. Reidia Beddomei, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 331. Chokampatti Hills of Tinnevelly, at 5,000 ft. (Beddome); hills of Travancore (Bourdillon). A glabrous undershrub.

6. REIDIA BAILLONIANA, Gamble, n. comb. Phyllanthus Baillonianus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 300.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly.

A shrub reaching 3-4 ft. in height, the leaves often marbled with white and purple, the fruit 25 in. long.

7. Reidia Longiflora, Gamble, n. comb. Phyllanthus longiflorus, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 302. R. ovalifolia, Wt. Ic. t. 1904, fig. 3 (not good).

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly about 2,000 ft. A small bush about 2 ft. high with pretty pink flowers (Bourdillon).

8. Reidia floribunda, Wt. Ic. t. 1903. Phyllanthus Wightianus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 303.

Carnatic, Melpat in S. Arcot, Shevaroy Hills, Kollimalai Hills; W. Gháts on E. side of Nilgiris and Pulneys, at about 2,000-4,000 ft.

A branching shrub, the branchlets rough with scars and stipules, the flowers red, the leaves with a pink tinge.

9. Reidia stipulacea, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 332.

W. Gháts, Anamalai and Pulney Hills, in thick undergrowth. A straggling shrub with very rough branchlets having long and persistent brown stipules.

### 11. Prosorus, Dalz.

Trees. Leaves alternate, thin, deciduous. Flowers dioecious, small, of numerous, in axillary fascicles with capillary pedicels, Q solitary or few together, axillary, pedicels long and stouter. Calyx-lobes 4 in both sexes. Disk annular, fleshy. Stamens 4, with free filaments, anthers oblong, extrorse, the cells dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles short, bifid, the branches recurved. Fruit a globose capsule with thin epicarp, 6-seeded. Seeds irregularly trigonous, arillate, blue; albumen coarse; cotyledons small, flat.

Prosorus indicus, Dalz. Phyllanthus indicus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I.

v. 305.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Beddome), hills of Tinnevelly (Wight),

Coorg and Wynaad (fide Beddome).

A small deciduous tree with membranous distichous elliptic or ovate acute leaves up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad.

### 12. Kirganelia, Baill.

Shrubs, usually climbing or straggling. Leaves alternate, small or moderate-sized, distichous, thin; stipules lanceolate. Flowers monoecious, of and Q mixed, in axillary clusters, sometimes in pairs or solitary, the clusters sometimes appearing racemose from the absence of leaves; pedicels filiform. Calyx-lobes 5, imbricate, the 3 inner often the larger. Petals 0. Disk in of or Q of 5 fleshy glands. Stamens 5, in 2 series, the outer with free filaments, the inner 2 or 3 with the filaments connate in a column; anthers dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 5-12celled; ovules 2 superposed in each cell; stigmas as many or half as many as the cells, minute, sessile, 2-lobed. Fruit a fleshy 5-12-celled berry, the seeds superposed. Seeds trigonous; testa crustaceous, albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat, truncate.

KIRGANELIA RETICULATA, Baill. Phyllanthus reticulatus, Poir.; F. B. I.

v. 288. Anisonema multiflorum, Wt. Ic. t. 1899.

All plains Districts, especially in hedges or waste places near

villages and in thickets along streams.

A straggling shrub with slender branches, small elliptic obovate or orbicular or spathulate thin leaves and a purple fleshy berry about 2 in. in diam. Bark brown, thin; wood reddish-white, hard. Vern. Hind. Panjuli; Tel. Nella purududu, Phulsar; Tam. Pula, Pullanti.

### 13. Emblica, Gaertn.

Trees, branchlets distichous. Leaves small, pinnately arranged on the branchlets; stipules minute, scarious. Flowers very small, monoecious, in axillary fascicles, of and Q mixed or frequently Q in lower and of in upper axils of present or fallen leaves. Calyx-lobes 5-6, oblong. Petals 0. Disk in of 0 or of minute glands alternate with the calyx-lobes, in Q cupular, the margin lacerate. Stamens 3, the filaments connate in a column, the anthers cohering by the connectives, which end in an apiculus, cells distinct dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles connate at base with broad recurved twice-branched arms. Fruit depressed-globose, fleshy, with 3 bony 2-valved cocci. Seeds 6, trigonous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat, broad, cordate or truncate.

Leaves on the branchlets very many, 100 or more sometimes, linear oblong, apiculate, 3-75 in. long, about 1 in. broad; glands in o very small; style-arms 

1. Emblica officinalis, Gaertn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1896. Phyllanthus emblica, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 288; Bedd. Fl. t. 258; Brand. For. Fl. t. 52. N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry deciduous forests and up to 4,000 ft. as on Mahendragiri; also in W. Gháts, occasional on dry slopes. Emblic Myrabolam.

A small or moderate-sized deciduous tree, the branchlets and rhachises villous. Bark light grey, exfoliating; wood red, hard and close-grained, useful for poles, implements and furniture, and good under water. The fleshy fruits are 5-1 in. in diam., and are used for tanning and sometimes eaten. Vern. Hind.

Aonla; Ur. Oura, ounla; Tel. Usiriki; Tam. Nelli.

2. Emblica Fischeri, Gamble in Kew Bull.

Carnatic, Kambakam Hills of Chingleput, Veligonda Hills of Nellore (M. Ramaswami); Deccan, hills of N. Coimbatore (Fischer); W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills to 3,000 ft. (Barber). A small tree with rather large leaves, the branches pale brown.

rough, the fruit not known.

# 14. Fluggea, Willd.

Shrubs, unarmed or thorny, branchlets angular. Leaves alternate, entire, distichous. Flowers dioecious, minute, pedicelled, axillary, of in clusters, Q subsolitary. Calyx-lobes 5, imbricate, subpetaloid. Petals 0. Disk in of of 5 or less glands alternate with the stamens; in Q annular

flat, toothed. Stamens 5, rarely less, the filaments free, exserted; anthers erect, the cells dehiscing longitudinally. Ovary 1—3-celled; styles free, recurved, usually 2-fid; pistillode in of erect 2—3-fid. Fruit globose, coriaceous or outside fleshy, separating into distinct 2-valved cocci. Seeds triquetrous; testa crustaceous; albumen scanty; embryo curved, the cotyledons flat.

1. Fluggea virosa, Baill. F. microcarpa, Bl.; F. B. I. v. 328. All dry Districts, in deciduous forest and second-growth areas, in the hills to 4,000 ft.

A small tree or large shrub, the leaves very variable in size and shape. Bark smooth, thin, reddish-brown; wood red, hard, close-grained, useful for agricultural tools. Vern. *Hind*. Dalme.

FLUGGEA LEUCOPYRUS, Willd; F. B. I. v. 328; Wt. Ic. t. 1875.
 All dry Districts, in open places, especially near the coast, rising in the hills to 3,000 ft.
 A large stiff straggling shrub, the ends of the branchlets sharply spinous, the fruits white. Wood hard and close-grained. Vern. Hind. Hartho; Tel. Tella purugudu; Tam. Madpulanti.

# 15. Antidesma, Linn.

Small trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire; stipules narrow. Flowers dioecious, very small, in slender, axillary or terminal, simple or branched spikes or racemes. Calyx-lobes 3—5, rarely more. Petals 0. Stamens 2—5, inserted on or within the disk; filaments exsert; connective broad, lunate, the anther-cells ending its wings, dehiscence transverse. Disk annular or cushion-like. Ovary 1-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; stigmas 2—4, usually short; pistillode in of clavate or globose or 0. Fruit a small more or less compressed drupe, crowned by the lateral or terminal stigmas. Seed small; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

Stamens inserted in hollows of the disk:-

Stamens 2; flowers in slender racemes; leaves thin, dull, elliptic or obovate, acute, up to 4 in. long, 2 in. broad, main nerves 5—8 pairs, faint...3. diandrum.

 1. Antidesma Zeylanicum, Lamk. A. Alexiteria, Linn. in part; F. B. I. v. 359.

Carnatic, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput, at 2,000 ft. (Fischer); W. Gháts, W. Nilgiris to the hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests.

A small tree reaching 25 ft. high, the small drupe red.

Antidesma Menasu, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 364.
 W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests up to 6,000 ft.; hills of N. Coimbatore; Shevaroy Hills of Salem.
 A small branching tree with a red edible drupe. Wood darkishred (Bourdillon). Vern. Mal. Puthara vál.

3. Antidesma diandrum, Roth; F. B. I. v. 361. A. lanceolarium, Wall.; Wt. Ic. t. 766 (not typical). Stilago diandra, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 166.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic in deciduous forests at low levels, to South Travancore; W. Gháts, on lower eastern slopes, scarce in Malabar.

A small deciduous tree with thin leaves pleasantly acid and purplish-red edible fruits. Bark smooth, grey; wood pinkish-grey, hard and close-grained. Vern. *Hind*. Amári; *Ur*. Nuniári; *Tel*. Pellagumudu.

4. Antidesma Ghaesembilla, Gaertn.; F. B. I. v. 357. A. paniculatum, Roxb.; Wt. Ic. t. 820. A. pubescens, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 167; Wt. Ic. t. 821.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in deciduous forests at low elevations; W. Coast, in Travancore and Malabar.

A small deciduous tree with a red-purple edible small drupe. Bark grey or pale brown; wood red, the heartwood darker. Vern. *Hind.* Umtoa; *Ur.* Nuniári; *Tel.* Polari, pulsur, Kathupulitsi.

5. Antidesma Bunius, Spr.; F. B. I. v. 358; Wt. Ic. t. 819.
N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, at 4,500 ft. (A. W. Lushington);
W. Gháts, Pulney Hills and hills of Tinnevelly.
A small evergreen tree with reddish drupe.

# 16. Hemicyclia, W. & A.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves evergreen, alternate, entire or slightly toothed, usually unequal at base. Flowers dioecious, of in clusters in the axils of the leaves or on the branchlets below them, Q usually solitary, pedicels in Q longer than in of, often lengthened in fruit. Calyx-lobes usually 4, sometimes 5, imbricate, the inner usually the larger. Petals 0. Stamens 4—24, inserted round the disk, filaments free; anthers erect, the cells parallel. Disk flat or saucer-shaped, often crenate on the margins. Ovary obliquely ovoid, 1-, rarely 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; stigma 1, sessile or on a short style, broadly reniform or semi-orbicular, flat or recurved. Fruit a globose, obovoid

or ellipsoid drupe with hard endocarp. Seed usually solitary, arillate; albumen fleshy, embryo straight; cotyledons broad, flat.

Stamens 6-12:-

Leaves obtuse, very coriaceous, glabrous, elliptic, rounded or cordate at base, entire or sometimes repand-toothed, nerves very obscure, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad; calyx-lobes small, ciliate; stigma orbicular, peltate, crenulate; fruit 3 in. Leaves acute or acuminate, coriaceous:-

Leaves entire, nerves prominent and reticulate; calyx-lobes densely fulvous-

tomentose; stigma mushroom-shaped:-

Redicels slender, of β up to 5 in., of ρ longer, in fruit 1—2 in.; leaves glabrous, elliptic or lanceolate, abruptly and obtusely acuminate at apex, slightly unequal at base, main nerves 10—12 pairs, up to 5 in. long, 2.5 in. broad; clusters about 5-6 flowers; fruit obovoid, 75-1 in. long...2. elata. Pedicels short, about 25 in., tawny-villous; clusters about 3—4 flowers:—

Leaves lanceolate, obtusely acuminate, the point often twisted, the base slightly unequal, up to 3.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, main nerves about 8 pairs with fine reticulation; fruit obovoid or ellipsoid, 7 in. long, its

main nerves 5-6; clusters about 4-6 flowers, the pedicels 25 in. long; calyxlobes fulvous-pubescent.....

- 1. Hemicyclia sepiaria, W. & A.; F. B. I. v. 337; Wt. Ic. t. 1872 of. N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in dry evergreen and semievergreen forests, eastwards to the drier slopes of the Gháts. A small evergreen tree or branching shrub. Bark grey, thin, smooth; wood white with a greyish-brown heart-wood, very hard and close-grained, like boxwood, but apparently little used except for fuel. Vern. Tel. Bira; Tam. Virai; Kan. Hira.
- 2. Hemicyclia elata; Bedd. Fl. t. 279; F. B. I. v. 339. W. Gháts, forests of the Wynaad at 2,000-4,000 ft.; Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly. A lofty straight glabrous tree reaching 90-100 ft. in height (Bedd.), with shining leaves, the reticulated secondary nerves nor very prominent. The wood is said to be strong and suitable for building. Bourdillon likens it to box.
- 3. HEMICYCLIA VENUSTA, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 339. Astylis venusta, Wt. Ic. t. 1992.

W. Gháts, W. slopes of Nilgiris in Ochterlony Valley (Wight) and on Sispara Ghát (Beddome) about 3,000-5,000 ft. A shrub or small tree with many often drooping branches, the reticulated nervation irregular but not very prominent.

4. Hemicyclia Wightii, Hook, f.; F. B. I. v. 339.

W. Gháts, Anamalai and Ayamalai Hills and hills of Travancore at 3,000-5,000 ft., in evergreen forests.

A small or moderate-sized tree reaching 40 ft. in height. Stem fluted; bark white, smooth, thin; wood pale grey, hard and close-grained, but liable to split, used for posts. Vern. Tam. Vellelambu; Mal. Vella Kasavu.

5. Hemicyclia travancorica, Bourd. Trav. Trees, 329.
W. Gháts, evergreen forests of S. Travancore near Ariyankavu at 1,000 ft. (Bourdillon) in evergreen forests.
A medium-sized graceful tree. Bark pale brown, smooth; wood greyish-white, hard and close-grained. Vern. Tam. Vellei pillai.

6. Hemicyclia Porteri, Gamble in Hook. Ic. t. 2701.

Carnatic, Warsanad Valley, Madura, near streams at 2,000 ft.

(Ported). Cegilwood.

A small evergreen tree, the flowers larger. Bark grey, thin, peeling off in flakes; wood yellowish-white, hard and closegrained, used in building.

# 17. Cyclostemon, Blume.

Trees. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed, base often unequal-sided. Flowers dioecious, in axillary or lateral clusters, the lateral ones often on tubercles on old wood. Sepals 4—6, imbricate, the buds globose. Petals 0. Stamens few or many, inserted round a rather broad disk; anthers with parallel cells. Disk annular or saucer-shaped, sometimes with reflexed marginal lobes, often ribbed. Ovary 2—4-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; style short or elongate; stigmas dilated, spreading or connate and peltate. Fruit a subglobose ovoid or oblong indehiscent drupe, the pericarp crustaceous, endocarp granular; cocci 2—4, usually 2. Seed usually solitary in the cells; testa thin; albumen thick, fleshy; cotyledons broad and flat.

Disk small, fulvous-villous; stamens many:—

Flowers sessile or very nearly so, calyx fulvous-villous; drupe about 1 in. in diam.; leaves and branchlets glabrous; leaves coriaceous, oblong, abruptly acuminate at apex, entire or distantly serrate, up to 9 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves about 10 pairs joined by prominent reticulation...2. macrophyllus. Flowers pedicelled, the pedicels 25 in. long; leaves on nerves beneath and branchlets fulvous-villous; calyx tomentose; leaves subcoriaceous oblong, abruptly obtusely acuminate at apex, entire or distantly serrate, up to 9 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves about 9 pairs joined by not prominent reticulation 3. malabaricus.

1. CYCLOSTEMON ASSAMICUS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 342.

N. Circars, Mahendragiri Hill in Ganjam at 4,500 ft. and Palkonda Hills in Vizagapatam, at 2,000 ft. (Gamble), in most places.

A small branching evergreen tree with shining leaves and scarlet

fruit 5-75 in. long.

CYCLOSTEMON MACROPHYLLUS, Bl.; F. B. I. v. 340; Bedd. Fl. t. 278.
 W. Gháts, Coorg and Wynaad to the Anamalais and hills of
 Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 2,000—4,000 ft., in evergreen
 forests.

A large evergreen tree with fluted stem and rough yellow fleshy fruit 1 in. in diam. Bark grey; wood yellowish-brown, hard. Vern. Mal. Mala payin.

3. CYCLOSTEMON MALABARICUS, Bedd.; F. B. I. v. 341; Bedd. Ic. t. 183. W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore, at 3,000—5,000 ft., in evergreen forests, at higher elevations than the last. A medium-sized tree with very oblong leaves and a tomentose

fruit l in. in diam.

4. Cyclostemon confertiflorus, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 341.

W. Gháts, Chenat Nair Forest, Malabar (Lobo), northwards to Kanara, southwards to Travancore (Bourdillon), in evergreen forest.

A large tree with a large yellow fruit, the stigmas of the  $\, Q \,$  2, large and semicircular.

#### 18. Sauropus, Blume.

Shrubs or undershrubs. Leaves alternate, distichous, membranous, entire; stipules minute. Flowers monoecious, minute, axillary, pedicelled, clustered or solitary. Calyx 6-lobed, of disciform, urceolate or turbinate, the bases of the lobes with thickened folds sometimes reflexed; Q larger and accrescent. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 3, the filaments combined in a trigonous column, the anthers seated on the angles, the cells linear. Ovary ovoid or globose, 3-celled, rounded or concave at the apex; ovules 2 in each cell; styles 3, on the angles of the top of the ovary, the arms curved. Fruit a globose or depressed fleshy or coriaceous capsule, 6-valved or rupturing irregularly, with 6 trigonous crustaceous cocci. Seeds with fleshy albumen; cotyledons broad, flat.

Calyx-lobes narrowly triangular, acute, the folds reflexed; leaves elliptic or suborbicular, about 5—1 in. in diam., glabrous; fruit globose, 3 in. in diam.

2. quadrangularis.

1. Sauropus androgynus, Merr. S. albicans, Bl.; F. B. I. v. 332. S. indicus, Wt. Ic. t. 1952, fig. 2.

W. Cháts, from the Wynaad southwards, in evergreen forest, at 2,000-4,000 ft.

An erect shrub reaching 4 ft. in height.

2. Sauropus Quadrangularis, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 335, Ceratogynum rhamnoides, Wt. Ic. t. 1900 (not good).

N. Circars, in Vizagapatam and Godavari, on cultivated land (Roxb.), also in the hills; W. Gháts, in most Districts at low levels.

A small shrub, with many twiggy branchlets.

3. Sauropus pubescens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 335.

Hills of Vizagapatam, up to 4,000 ft. (A. W. Lushington, Barber).

A small shrub, similar to the last but pubescent. The branches are sometimes compressed and winged.

# 19. Breynia, Forst.

Shrubs or small trees. Leaves small, alternate, entire, petioled, often distichous. Flowers monoecious, minute, axillary. Calyx in of turbinate or hemispheric, truncate, lobes 5—6, with the rounded glands of the tube behind them; in Q campanulate or rotate, 6-lobed, sometimes accrescent in fruit. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 3, the filaments connate in a column, the cells linear parallel, distinct. Ovary globose or truncate or depressed at top, 3-celled; either styles 3 sessile or connate in a short column, or stigmas 3 sunk in the apex of the ovary. Fruit globose or depressed, more or less succulent, indehiscent or with a 6-valved pericarp enclosing cocci. Seeds with membranous testa; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad; radicle long.

BREYNIA PATENS, Rolfe; F. B. I. v. 329. Melanthesa turbinata, Wt. Ic. t. 1897. M. obliqua, Wt. Ic. t. 1898, fig. 2.
 Carnatic, hills of Chingleput, S. Arcot and Trichinopoly; W. Gháts, in dry forest localities at low levels up to 4,000 ft. A shrub reaching about 4 ft. high.

2. Breynia Rhamnoides, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 330. Melanthesa rhamnoides, Wt. Ic. t. 1898, fig. 1.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in deciduous forests, chiefly in open places; W. Gháts, Malabar and Travancore, less common. A large shrub reaching 10 ft. in height, 20 ft. (Bourdillon). Vern. Tel. Yellari; Tam. Manipulnati.

# 20. Glochidion, Forst.

Evergreen trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, bifarious, entire, shortly petioled. Flowers small, monoecious or dioecious, in axillary clusters. Calyx in of 6 lobes, in 2 series, imbricate, spreading; in Q shortly tubular with 6 often unequal lobes. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 3—8, connate by their connectives in a column, the connectives produced in usually free tips; anthers with linear cells, extrorse. Ovary 3—15-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles connate in a column lobed at the tip, the column sometimes short but usually gradually lengthening; pistillode in of usually 0 or very small behind the anthers.

Fruit a capsule of 3 or more 2-valved cocci, globose or orbicular or depressed or intruded at the base and apex crowned by the often enlarged style; the cocci crustaceous or coriaceous, the epicarp separable or not. Seeds hemispheric or laterally compressed; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

#### Anthers 4 or more:-

Style a broad shallow cone hollowed at the apex, pubescent at base without; 

Style conical, cleft at the tip; flowers in shortly peduncled umbels or fascicles; fruit globose, sometimes beaked; stipules falcate, acuminate:—

Leaves beneath and branches and inflorescence finely grey-pubescent; leaves elliptic- or ovate-oblong, shortly acute at apex, unequal and often subcordate at base, up to 6 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves 6-8 pairs; style pubescent; 

Leaves and branches and inflorescence glabrous; leaves ovate lanceolate or oblong, shortly acute at apex, unequal and rounded or cordate at base, up to 8 in. long, 3 in. broad, main nerves 8—12 pairs; style glabrous; capsules 3—4 

#### Anthers 3:-

Branchlets, inflorescence and leaves more or less pubescent:-

All parts prominently velvety pubescent; leaves elliptic ovate or lanceolate, obtuse or subacute, 2-5 in. long, 1-2 in. broad (larger in shoots), main nerves. 6-8 pairs; stamen connective acute at apex; style cylindric, villous, 4-6-lobed; Branchlets, inflorescence and leaf midribs tawny, crispate pubescent; leaves subcoriaceous, ovate, obtusely acuminate at apex, narrowed at base, with 5-6 very oblique prominent nerves, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; style columnar, elongate; capsule 6-lobed, depressed at apex, crowned by the style-column

Branchlets and inflorescence softly fulvous-tomentose, the leaves beneath sparsely pubescent leaves oblong, obtuse or obtusely acuminate, 4—5 in. long, 1·25 in. broad, main nerves 6—8 pairs, arched; style short, depressed globose; Branchlets slender, fulvous-puberulous; leaves chartaceous, ovate or ovateoblong, acuminate at apex, narrowed or obtuse and equal at base, glabrous, main nerves 6-8 pairs, up to 6.5 in. long, 2 in. broad; style thick, elongate Branchlets slender, sparsely puberulous; leaves chartaceous, lanceolate, acuminate, unequal at base, glabrous, reticulate; main nerves 8—10 pairs, up to 5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; style thick, widening upwards; capsule glabrous, Branchlets and leaves glabrous, sometimes the flowers only very slightly puberul-

Leaves chartaceous, elliptic or oblong, obtuse or acute, the base unequal, reticulate, main nerves 6—8 pairs, up to 4 in. long, 1—1.25 in. broad; style very stout, short, truncate; capsule 4 in. broad, tipped with the short thick shortly acuminate, reticulate, main nerves 6-8 pairs, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; style very short, widening at the lobes; capsule 4 in broad, tipped with the short thick style..... ......10. fagifolium.

Leaves lanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, acuminate at both ends, rather unequal Leaves chartaceous, elliptic or elliptic-oblong, abruptly acuminate at apex, acute or obtuse at base, main nerves 7-10, prominent, up to 5 in. long, 2 in. broad; style very small, conical; capsule 3 in. in diam., depressed...12. malabaricum. Leaves ovate or obovate, shortly acute at apex, unequal at base, main nerves 5-6 pairs, reticulation prominent, up to 4 in, long, 1.5 in. broad; style columnar 

- 1. GLOCHIDION LITTORALE, Blume; F. B. I. v. 308. W. Coast, Malabar (Beddome, Wight). A small tree.
- 2. GLOCHIDION TOMENTOSUM, Dalz.; F. B. I. v. 309.
  - W. Gháts in S. Canara, Coorg, Mysore, more scarce in Malabar and Travancore, up to 4,000 ft., in grass land.

A small tree with rather large leaves and somewhat angular branchlets, the stipules generally erect.

3. GLOCHIDION ZEYLANICUM, A. Juss.; F. B. I. v. 310.

N. Circars, hills of Godavari; Carnatic, Kambakam Hills in Chingleput; W. Gháts, from Mysore southwards, in evergreen forests up to 3,000 ft., common along streams and in swampy places (Bourdillon).

A small tree, reaching 30 ft. in height, the flowers yellow, the capsules orange, the stipules reflexed. As also with G. tomentosum, the old leaves when dry are whitish above, almost bullate and very brittle. The variety G. canaranum, Miq. (Hohenacker), has rather smaller leaves and a round, prominently-beaked capsule.

4. GLOCHIDION VELUTINUM, Wt. Ic. t. 1907, fig. 2; F. B. I. v. 322. N. Circars, Ganjam to Godavari, up to 4,500 ft. on Mahendragiri (Fischer and Gage); Carnatic, Shevaroy Hills of Salem (Perrottet); W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais, Pulneys and hills of Travancore, up to 6,000 ft.

A small tree. Bark brown, rough; wood red, hard, not used. 5. GLOCHIDION ARBOREUM, Wt. Ic. t. 1907, fig. 1; F. B. I. v. 316.

W. Gháts, Sivagiri Hills of Tinnevelly.

A small tree, the inflorescence branchlets zigzag, the Q pedicels elongate in fruit.

6. GLOCHIDION JOHNSTONEI, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 314.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, in Cochin (Johnstone); Mysore, at 2,000 ft. (Meebold).

Apparently a small tree with long angular branchlets.

7. GLOCHIDION SISPARENSE, Gamble, n. comb. G. arboreum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 316 in part, not of Wt.

W. Gháts, Sispara in Nilgiris at 5,000 ft. (Wight, Lawson, Gamble).

A tree with glabrous leaves and few and distant flowers, the lobed calyx pubescent.

8. GLOCHIDION PAUCIFLORUM, Gamble, n. comb. G. arboreum var. pauciflorum, Hook. f. in Hb. Kew.

W. Gháts, Sholas of the Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, about 5,000—7,000 ft.

A rather common tree, very near the last and also with fewflowered clusters, but with narrower more reticulate leaves and large capsule, the leaves nearly black when dry.

9. GLOCHIDION NEILGHERRENSE, Wt. Ic. ii. 29; F. B. I. v. 316; Bedd.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills above 5,000 ft. in Shola forests, common; hills of N. Coimbatore.

A moderate-sized tree with many-flowered clusters in zigzag branches, the leaves usually black when dry or the upper side greenish. Bark reddish-brown, thin, peeling off in flakes; wood red, moderately hard. Vern. Badaga Hanikay.

10. GLOCHIDION FAGIFOLIUM, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 312.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, in Shola forests on the downs about 7,000 ft. A tree, the thin leaves prominently reticulate and often greenishbrown when dry.

11. GLOCHIDION ELLIPTICUM, Wt. Ic. t. 1906; F. B. I. v. 321 G. Hohenac-

keri, Bedd.; F. B. I. v. 314.

W. Gháts, all Districts, in evergreen forests, up to about 4,000 ft.

A moderate-sized tree.

Var. Ralphii. G. Ralphii, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 314. Branchlets very slender; leaves smaller, scarcely 2.5 in. long, 75 in. broad; flowers, especially 9, very small. S. Tinnevelly, at 3,500 ft. (Beddome).

12. GLOCHIDION MALABARICUM, Bedd.; F. B. I. v. 319.

W. Gháts, Coorg to Travancore, at low levels; Pulney Hills (?)

A small tree, the leaves with prominent curved and arching

13. GLOCHIDION BOURDILLONII, Gamble in Kew Bull. 1925, 330. G. rigidum, Bourd. Trav. Trees 334.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests at low levels up to 4,000 ft., in ravines and near streams (Bourdillon).

A small evergreen tree, the leaves reticulate.

# 21. Aporosa, Blume.

Trees. Leaves alternate, entire or rarely sinuate-toothed; stipules small. Flowers dioecious, of minute, in axillary solitary or clustered catkin-like spikes, Q in short bracteate spikes. Calyx-lobes 3-6, usually 4, membranous, the Q larger than in J. Petals 0. Stamens 1-5, central; filaments capillary, anthers didymous. Disk 0. Ovary 2-, rarely 3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; stigmas small, plumose, spreading and recurved; pistillode in of minute or 0. Fruit an ellipsoid ovoid or globose capsule, opening irregularly or partially 2-4-valved; epicarp thin or thick and spongy or fleshy, endocarp thin, often separable; cells glabrous or hairy within. Seeds oblong or suborbicular, usually plano-convex; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

Capsule smooth or rugose when dry, glabrous or hairy:-Capsule glabrous:-

Capsule globose, pedicelled, 4 in. in diam.; of catkins up to 2 in. long; leaves elliptic-oblong, acuminate, rounded or acute at base, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad.

Capsule fusiform, beaked, up to 75 in long, o catkins stout, up to 1 in long; long; leaves lanceolate, caudate acuminate, acute at base, up to 4 in. long, 1.5 Capsule ovoid, covered with long soft processes and rugose, beaked, up to 1 in. long;

d catkins 75 in. long, prominently bracteate; leaves oblong, long and often caudately acuminate, rounded at base, pubescent on the nerves, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad.

4. Bourdillonii.

1. Aporosa Lindleyana, Baill.; F. B. I. v. 349; Bedd. Fl. t. 286. Scepa

Lindleyana, Wt. Ic. t. 361.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Mysore to Annamalais and Travancore Hills, in ever green forests up to 3,000 ft. A small or medium-sized evergeen tree with coriaceous leaves. Bark brown, smooth; wood brown, rough, said to be useful. Vern. Kan. Sulla, sali ; Tam. Vittil ; Mal. Vetti.

2. Aporosa fusiformis, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 351.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore, in evergreen forest at 2,000-\_3,000 ft. (Bourdillon). A small tree with very coriaceous leaves in Ceylon, rather less

so in Madras.

3. Aporosa acuminata, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 348. W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore, in evergreen forests up to 3,000 ft. A small tree, sometimes a shrub.

4. Aporosa Bourdillonii, Stapf in Hook. Ic. t. 2204.

W. Gháts, evergreen forests of N. Travancore at low levels (Bourdillon). A small tree, reaching 25 ft. in height.

#### 22. Baccaurea, Lour.

Trees. Leaves alternate, entire or rarely crenate-serrate, penninerved, stipules caducous. Flowers dioecious, rarely monoecious, in simple or compound spikes or racemes. Calyx-lobes, 4-5, usually unequal, imbricate. Petals 0. Stamens 4-8; filaments short, free; anthers small, didymous. Disk 0. Ovary ovoid or globose, 2-5-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; stigmas 2-5, small, sessile, free or connate in a short style; pistillode in of flowers pubescent, orbicular, sessile or stipitate. Fruit an ovoid globose obovoid or fusiform 2-4-celled capsule, late dehiscing; pericarp thick or thin, coriaceous, crustaceous, or woody. Seeds broad, compressed; testa with a thick aril-like covering; albumen hard or fleshy; cotyledons flat.

BACCAUREA COURTALLENSIS, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 367. B. sapida, Bedd. Fl. t. 280. Pierardia macrostachys, Wt. Ic. tt. 1912, 1913.

W. Gháts, from S. Canara southwards, in evergreen forest, up to 3.000 ft.

An evergreen tree remarkable for the flowers growing in long racemose spikes, in tufts on tubercles on the stems and branches, often "in great profusion, the whole trunk appearing as a crimson mass (Bedd.)." Leaves oblanceolate, acuminate, up to 7 in. long, 3 in. broad. Fruit crimson, about 1 in. in diam., edible. Bark pale brown, rough; wood yellowish-white. Kern. Kan. Koli kuki; Mal. Mutta Thuri.

# 23. Daphniphyllum, Blume.

Trees, branches stout, the leaves near the tops. Leaves alternate, entire, long-petioled, usually glaucous beneath. Flowers dioecious, sometimes monoecious in axillary racemes. Caly: lobes 3-8, small. Petals 0.

Stamens 5—12, free; anthers large, the cells parallel, dehiscing laterally, connective apiculate. Disk 0. Ovary imperfectly 2-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; stigmas thick, recurved, undivided; pistillode in of 0. Fruit an ovoid or oblong drupe, the pericarp woody. Seed solitary; testa membranous; albumen copious fleshy; embryo small, the cotyledons narrow.

DAPHNIPHYLLUM NEILGHERRENSE, Rosenth. D. glaucescens, Muell. Arg., not of Bl.; F. B. I. v. 353. D. Roxburghii, Baill.; Bedd. Fl. t. 288. Goughia neilgherrensis, Wt. Ic. tt. 1878, 1879.

W. Gháts, Shola forests of the Nilgiris and southwards, above

5,000 ft.; Bababudan Hills of Mysore.

A medium-sized evergreen tree with elliptic or obovate-oblong obtuse leaves, usually glaucous beneath, reaching 5 in. by 3 in., the petioles 2 in., the drupe '5 in. long, greenish-red. Bark brown, somewhat corky; wood grey, even-grained, only used as fuel. Vern. *Badaga* Nir kocki; Nir chappay.

## 24. Putranjiva, Wall.

Trees. Leaves alternate, evergreen, entire or serrulate, reticulate. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, axillary of in clusters, Q subsolitary. Calyx-lobes 3—6, imbricate. Petals 0. Stamens 2—4 in the centre of the flower, filaments free or connate; anthers erect, the cells parallel. Disk 0. Ovary ovoid, 2—3-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles 2—3, spreading, dilated into broad fleshy stigmas. Fruit an ovoid or globose drupe with hard endocarp. Seed solitary, ovoid; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons obovate, cordate, flat.

Putranjiva Roxburghii, Wall.; F. B. I. v. 336; Wt. Ic. t. 1876;

Bedd. Fl. t. 275; Brand. For. Fl. t. 53.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, also in suitable places in Malabar, usually on river banks and in shady valleys, up to about 2,000 ft. A moderate-sized evergreen tree with coriaceous, elliptic-oblong, serrulate leaves up to 4 in. long, 1.5 in. broad. Bark dark grey with horizontal lenticels; wood grey, moderately hard, closegrained, useful for small purposes. The nuts are strung in necklaces and rosaries. Vern. Hind. Jia puta, putranjiva; Ur. Paishandia; Tel. Kadrajuvi; Tam. Karupala.

### 25. Mischodon, Thw.

Tree. Leaves whorled, coriaceous, entire, penninerved. Flowers dioecious, in axillary panicles, the Q elongating in fruit. Calyx-lobes 5—8, usually 6, imbricate, often unequal. Stamens usually 6, exserted, the filaments free, villous, as are the anthers, which dehisce longitudinally. Disk in of 0, in Q unular. Ovary 3—4-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; stigmas 3—4, large, ssile, flat; pistillode in of 3-lobed. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocc Seeds 1—2 in each coccus, testa crustaceous, shining; albumen flashy cotyledons broad, flat.

MISCHODON ZEYLANICUS, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 344; Bedd. Fl. t. 290.

W. Gháts, Anamalai Hills (Beddome), hills of Tinnevelly; common in Ceylon.

A large tree with bluntly tetragonous branchlets, and linear-oblong leaves reaching 8 in. long and 2.5 in. broad, but usually narrower, the young ones bright red. The capsules are large, 75 in. in diam. Trimen says the timber is excellent. Vern. Tam. Tampanai.

### 26. Bischofia, Blume.

Large tree. Leaves alternate, 3-foliolate, often crenate. Flowers dioecious, minute, in axillary or lateral panicled racemes; of scattered or clustered, Q scattered longer-pedicellate. Calyx-lobes 5, Q concave, obtuse, enclosing the anthers but later reflexed, Q ovate, caducous. Petals 0. Stamens 5, filaments short, anthers large with parallel cells; staminodes in Q small or 0. Disk 0. Ovary 3—4-celled; ovules 2 in each cell; styles long, linear, stigmatic on the inner face; pistillode in of a flat disk on short stalk. Fruit a globose fleshy berry with 3—4-cells lined with a parchment-like 2-valved endocarp. Seeds oblong-trigonous; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat, ovate.

Bischofia Javanica, Bl.; F. B. I. v. 344; Bedd. Fl. t. 259. Microelus

Roeperianus W. & A.; Wt. Ic. t. 1880.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in hilly country, in ravines up to 4,000 ft., W. Gháts, in evergreen forests, in all Districts.

A large deciduous tree, the large leaflets elliptic-ovate crenate up to 5 in. long. Bark rough, brown; wood red, smooth, moderately hard, useful for planking and other purposes. Vern. *Hind*. Kein; *Tam*. Thondi, Milachityan; *Mal*. Thirippu, nira.

### 27. Croton, Linn.

Trees or shrubs, rarely herbs. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite or whorled, usually 2-glandular at the base; stipules linear. Flowers usually monoecious, solitary or clustered on the rhachis of a terminal raceme; bracts small. Calyx 5- (rarely 4- or 6-) partite, the lobes imbricate or valvate. Petals 5 (rarely 4 or 6), in of usually smaller than the calyx-lobes, in Q. very small or 0. Disk annular or of glands opposite the calyx-lobes. Stamens many, inserted on the villous receptacle; filaments free, inflexed in bud, then erect; anther-cells parallel. Ovary 3- (rarely 2—4-) celled; ovule solitary in each cell; styles long, 2—4-cleft, slender; pistillode in of 0. Fruit a capsule 3-valved or of 3 deciduous 2-valved cocci. Seeds 3, smooth, carunculate; testa crustaceous; albumen copious; cotyledons flat.

Ovary covered with stellate scales or tomentum:—
Inflorescence scaly:—

Leaves covered on under-surface, often also above, with stellate silvery or yellowish scales:—

Leaves entire:

Leaves glabrous when old, scaly when quite young, oblong-lanceolate, acute, narrowed at base, crenate-serrate, up to 10 in. long, 3·5 in. broad, petiole to 2 in.; stamens 12, filaments villous below; capsule about 25 in. long

Inflorescence stellate-tomentose; leaves 3—5-ribbed at base, base and margin with stalked glands:—

Capsule under 5 in. long, subglobose:—

CROTON RETICULATUS, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 386; Bedd. Ic. t. 233.
 W. Gháts, S. Canara to the Anamalais and Travancore and Tinnevelly Hills, in evergreen forests at 3,000—5,000 ft.
 A shrub or small tree, the leaves with stalked glands at their base. Vern. Mar. Panduray.

2. CROTON MALABARICUS, Bedd. Ic. t. 181; F. B. I. v. 386.

W. Gháts in all Western Districts, in evergreen forests at 3,000—4.000 fr.

A medium-sized tree reaching 30 or even 60 ft. in height, the glands sessile, obscure. Vern. Tam. Thavatta polavu; Mal. Kóla Vacchi.

3. Croton scabiosus, Bedd. Fl. t. 283; F. B. I. v. 386.

Deccan, on dry stony hills in Cuddapah and Kurnool at 1,000—4,000 ft.

A small, often gregarious tree, the leaf-glands sessile. Bark dark brown, rough; wood yellowish white, hard and close-grained. Vern. Tel. Yerri chilla.

4. CROTON OBLONGIFOLIUS, Roxb.; F. B. I. v. 386.

N. Circars and Deccan, very scarce; W. Gháts, S. Canara to Nilgiris, in rather dry forests, not common, but usually in scrub near villages.

A small or medium-sized, deciduous, often gregarious tree, the leaves turning red before falling. Bark grey or brownish; wood yellowish white, moderately hard. Vern. Tel. Bhutankusam; Tam. Millakumari.

5. CROTON AROMATICUS, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 338 in part.
Carnatic? (Wight)—Mission Garden, Tranquebar (Wall. Cat. 7773c). A shrub with thin leaves, the capsule 3 in. in diam., glabrous except for scabrid hairs.

6. CROTON LACCIFERUS, Linn.; Wt. Ic. t. 1915. C. aromaticus, Linn.;

F. B. I. v. 338 in part.

W. Gháts, in rather dry open and Shola forests of the Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, usually at 4,000—7,000 ft., sometimes lower; Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; Babubudan Hills of Mysore.

A shrub or small tree, slightly aromatic, the leaves turning red before falling, the capsule very scabrid, 4—5 in. in diam. Vern.

Tam. Teppaddi.

7. CROTON CAUDATUS, Geisel; F. B. I. v. 388.

W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalais and hills of S. Travancore, up to 3,000 ft., scarce and usually near streams.

A subscandent shrub with long branchlets and large thick-shelled capsules.

8. CROTON KLOTZSCHIANUS, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 392. Tiglium Klotzschia-

num. Wt. Ic. t. 1914.

Carnatic, Kambakam Hills of Chingleput; Deccan, hills of Cuddapah and Kurnool, in dry evergreen forest; W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly at 1,000—3,000 ft. on E. side.

A shrub or small tree, most usually straggling among other

bushes.

CROTON LAWIANUS, Nimmo; F. B. I. v. 394.
 Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).
 A small tree with slender branches.

C. Tiglium, Linn. (Vern. Hind. Jaipal; Tam. Nirvalam) is a North Indian small tree, frequently found in cultivation in the Madras plains. It is the source of the powerful medicine Croton oil. C. sparsiflorus, Morong, is an introduced American weed, which, having first arrived in Bengal (Burkill in 'As. Soc. Pro.', 1910), has now wandered south along the Coromandel Coast even to Tinnevelly (Rangachari).

# 28. Chrozophora, Neck.

Coarse herbs, less often undershrubs, usually clothed with stellate tomentum. Leaves alternate, petioled, sinuate-toothed or -lobed, plicate, rugose or bullate or nearly flat, often biglandular at the apex of the petiole. Flowers monoecious, in short dense racemes in the upper leafaxils, the of crowded near the top, subsessile, the Q below, pedicelled. Calyx 5-lobed, in the of closed in bud, afterwards spreading, in the Q much narrower, nearly setaceous. Petals 5, alternate with and like the calyx-lobes, but smaller. Disk of 5 glands alternate with the petals. Stamens 5—15, the filaments connate, at least below, in a column; anther-cells oblong, parallel. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 3, each bifid; pistillode in of 0. Fruit a 3-lobed capsule of 3 hispid tomentose or scaly 2-valved cocci. Seeds without caruncle, globose; testa shining; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Stems prostrate; racemes short; capsules 1-2 in. in diam., nearly black with

grey stellate tomentum, not tinctorial:-

Leaves not glandular at base, ovate or suborbicular, 5-1 in. in diam., usually strongly wrinkled and bullate, the large stellate hairs stalked; anthers short, Leaves 2-glandular at base, ovate or lanceolate, 1 to nearly 2 in. long, only slightly bullate, the stellate hairs sessile; anthers longer, about 1 in. long.

Stems erect; racemes elongate; capsules 3 in. in diam., reddish, with dense stellate tomentum, tinctorial when wetted; leaves broadly ovate-orbicular, 3-lobed, undulate crenate, with sessile stellate hairs, 2-4 in. in diam., petiole to 2 in.; anthers over ·1 in. long.....

1. Chrozophora prostrata, Dalz.; Prain in Kew Bull. 1918, 90. C. plicata 3; F. B. I. v. 410.

N. Circars and Carnatic in damp places as on the edge of rivers

and tanks and dried-up irrigated fields.

An annual herb with prostrate branches, yellow petals, orange stigmas and capsules not giving a colour when wetted.

2. Chrozophora parvifolia, Klotzsch; Prain l.c. 91. C. plicata 2;

F. B. I. v. 410.

N. Circars, banks of the Godavari (Barber); Carnatic, near Madras; Deccan, in Anantapur (Gamble). A prostrate herb with rather thin leaves.

3. Chrozophora rottleri, Klotzsch; Prain l.c. 95. C. plicata 1; F.

B. I. v. 410.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, West to the E. slopes of the Gháts, in dry places, and on road-sides.

An erect herb or undershrub with large leaves, yellow petals and red stigmas, the capsules giving a blue colour when wetted.

# 29. Agrostistachys, Dalz.

Shrubs or small trees. Leaves alternate, entire or serrate, penninerved. Flowers dioecious, in axillary or supra-axillary bracteate racemes or spikes, ♂ solitary or clustered within the bract, ♀ solitary. Calyx globose, splitting into 2-5 valvate lobes. Petals usually 5, shorter than the calyx-lobes in o, longer in Q but caducous. Disk large, of 5 glands alternate with the petals. Stamens 8—13 on a convex receptacle, filaments nearly free; anthers versatile, the cells pendulous from a thickened connective. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles short, thick, spreading; pistillode in of usually large. Fruit a capsule, of 3 2-valved cocci. Seeds globose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Leaves strongly serrate, elliptic-oblong or -lanceolate, acute at both ends, up to 15 in. long, 4 in. broad; of racemes small, catkin-like, in axillary clusters; Q Leaves entire, oblanceolate, very coriaceous, up to 15 in. long; flowers in elongate spiciform racemes; stamens 10, 5 within the disk, 5 outside it; capsule 5 in. broad......2. Meeboldii.

1. Acrostistachys indica, Dalz.; F. B. I. v. 406; Bedd. Ic. t. 241. W. Gháts, in evergreen forests in all districts, up to 6,000 ft., usually on the banks of streams. A shrub or small tree.

2. Agrostistachys Meeboldi, Pax and K. Hoffm., in Engl. Pflznreich. iv. 147, vi. 100. A. longifolia, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 407 in part. Sarcoclinium longifolium, Wt. Ic. tt. 1887, 1888.

W. Gháts, in Wynaad, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and

Tinnevelly, in evergreen forest at 2,000-5,000 ft.

A small tree with large thick leaves. Bark thin, dark; wood pale brown, moderately hard, not durable. Vern. Tam. Mancharei; Mal. Mulimpala.

### 30. Aleurites, Forst.

Trees, often stellately pubescent or lepidote. Leaves alternate, long-petioled, entire or lobed, digitately 3—7-nerved at the base; petiole 2-glandular at apex. Flowers monoecious or subdioecious, in lax terminal panicled cymes. Calyx subglobose in bud, bursting irregularly into 2—3 valvate lobes. Petals 5, elongate and conspicuous. Stamens many, on a conical receptacle, the outer 5 alternating with the small disk-glands; filaments free; anthers erect, adnate, the cells parallel. Disk of 5 small glands, obscure in Q. Ovary 2—5-celled; ovule solitary in each cell; styles with 2 stout linear arms. Fruit a large drupe with a hard, 1—5-celled stone. Seed with a thick woody testa; albumen thick, hard; cotyledons broad, flat.

ALEURITES MOLUCCANA, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 384; Bedd. Fl. t. 276. Introduced from Malaya, now found run wild in some places, especially the Wynaad; often planted. Belgaum Walnut. A handsome tree with large long-petioled leaves of various shapes, chiefly deltoid or rhomboid and often 3—7-lobed. The flowers are in large tomentose cymes with white petals and the drupe is fleshy, ovoid, pointed, giving edible kernels full of a drying oil.

# 31. Trewia, Linn.

Trees. Leaves opposite, entire, broadly ovate or orbicular; 3—5-ribbed at base. Flowers dioecious, appearing before the leaves, of in drooping racemes, Q long-peduncled, solitary or racemose. Calyx in of globose in bud, then splitting into 3—4 concave, often reflexed, imbricate lobes; in Q of 3—5 imbricate caducous lobes. Petals 0. Disk 0. Ovary 2—4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 3—5, connate below, very long, papillose. Fruit a 2—4-celled drupe, indehiscent or sometimes dehiscent, with usually fleshy pericarp and crustaceous endocarp. Seeds ovoid; testa hard; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flar.

1. Trewia nudiflora, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 423; Wt. Ic. t. 1870 of. N. Circars, up to 3,000 ft, in the hills, and chiefly in wet places and along streams, rare elsewhere, and perhaps usually only cultivated.

A deciduous tree with large leaves rather like those of Gmelina arborea. Bark smooth, grey; wood white, soft, used for drums and for the carved images in Roman Catholic Churches (Bourdillon). Vern. Hind. Gambhar; Ur. Mondu.

2. Trewia Polycarpa, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 424. T. nudiflora, Wt. Ic. t. 1871 Ω; Bedd. Fl. t. 281.

W. Coast and W. Gháts, in Malabar and Travancore, at low

levels, in wet places and along streams.

A tree reaching 50 ft. in height, with white wood, used as that of the former species. Vern. Tam. Ana thuvarei; Mal. Pambara Kumbil.

### 32. Mallotus, Lour.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves opposite or alternate, entire toothed or lobed, 3—7-ribbed or penninerved, sometimes peltate, often gland-dotted beneath, sometimes with glandular areas near the base above; stipules often present. Flowers dioecious or monoecious, in axillary or terminal simple or branched spikes or racemes, bracteate. Calyx in of at first globose or ovoid, later separating into 3-5 valvate lobes; in Q spathaceous or valvately 3-5-lobed. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 20-30 or more, central filaments free; anthers parallel, separated by a wide connective. Ovary 2-4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles free or connate below, above spreading and plumose or papillose; pistillode in of 0. Fruit a capsule of 2—3 cocci, each 2-valved, smooth, tubercled or echinate with hard or soft spines, usually very glandular. Seed ovoid or globose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Tree with thick grey or tawny tomentose branches; leaves narrowly (broadly when young) peltate, broadly ovate, orbicular or deltoid, entire or shortly lobed, 3—5-ribbed, up to 10 in. in diam., densely white or fulvous stellate-tomentose; capsules 3-4-valved, 5 in. in diam., echinate with soft woolly spines and 

Leaves longer than broad:—

Leaves alternate, ovate or ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, the transverse nervules prominent, entire or shortly serrate, up to 8 in. long, 4.5 in. broad, greyish-pubescent to fulvous tomentose and red-glandular beneath; capsule 3-valved, 5 in. in diam., conspicuously red-glandular; seeds black.....5. philippinensis.

Leaves penninerved, or with sometimes a short opposite pair at the base:-Leaves opposite or alternate, the lowest pair of nerves opposite and short, elliptic obovate or oblanceolate, acute, cuneate at base, entire or distantly dentate, glabrous, up to 7 in. long, 2 in. broad; flowers in slender racemes 6. atrovirens. Leaves opposite, without a short opposite lowest pair of nerves:-

1. MALLOTUS REPANDUS, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 442.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, at low levels, often in hedges and scrub forests and near the coast.

A large shrub, the trunk with long thorns, the of flowers in panicles, the Q in racemes. Vern. Hind. Akús; Tel. Kanda veltu.

2. Mallotus albus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 429. Rottlera peltata, Wt. Ic. t. 1873.

Var. occidentalis, Hook. f.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen and secondary forest up to 4,000 ft.; Shevaroy Hills of Salem; Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly.

A moderate-sized tree, the flowers in panicles. Bark thin, grey; wood white and soft, of no value. Vern. Tam. Mullu polavu; Mal. Vatta kumbil.

3. Mallotus distans, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 441; Bedd. Ic. t. 232. W Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly about Courtallum. A straggling shrub, the flowers in usually distant fascicles.

4. Mallotus rhamnifolius, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 440. W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore.

A shrub or small tree, resembling the next in leaf but at once distinguished by the capsule with nearly separate cocci and not red.

5. Mallotus Philippinensis, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 442; Bedd. Fl. t. 289. Rottlera tinctoria, Roxb. Cor. Pl. t. 168.

All Forest Districts in N. Circars, Deccan and W. Gháts, also in hills of Carnatic, up to 5,000 ft., common, especially in deciduous forest and open scrub lands.

A small tree, much branching low down. Bark grey; wood grey to light red, smooth and close-grained, a good fuel. The chief product is the red powder (Kamela) on the capsules which affords a bright orange dye. Vern. *Hind.* Raini; *Ur.* Sinduri; *Tel.* Kumkuma; *Tam.* Kapli; *Mal.* Manjana.

Var. tomentosus. Leaves beneath densely fulvous-tomentose, acute to cuspidate-acuminate.

W. Deccan, hills of Bellary and N. Coimbatore to N. and E. slopes of Nilgiris, common on the Coonoor Ghát up to 6,000 ft., also in Pulneys.

6. Mallotus atrovirens, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 440.

W. Gháts, forests of Cochin and Travancore, at low levels; Anamalais (Beddome).

A shrub (?) the capsules unknown.

7. Mallotus stenanthus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 437. W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly. A small tree with rough branches and usually flattened branchlets, the leaves narrower and more acuminate at both ends than in Bombay specimens.

8. Mallotus muricatus, Bedd.; F. B. I. v. 436. Claoxylum muri-

catum, Wt. Ic. t. 1886.

Deccan, Horsleykonda in Chittoor, at 3,500 ft. (Fischer); Carnatic, Kollimalai Hills of Trichinopoly (Rangachari); W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly.

A tree with much compressed branchlets and leaves very variable in shape but more or less rhombic.

9. Mallotus aureo-punctatus, Muell. Arg. M. Lawii, Hook. f.; F.

B. I. v. 438 in part.

W. Gháts, in Cochin (Johnson), Rookwood Estate, Travancore. at 2,000 ft. (Lawson), hills of Tinnevelly. A small tree (Lawson).

10. Mallotus Beddomei, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 438.

W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, up to 5,000 ft.; Bolampatti Hills of Coimbatore at 4,300 ft. (Fischer).

A shrub (Meebold) with large leaves.

# 33. Symphyllia, Baill.

Trees. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed; stipules 2. Flowers monoecious, in terminal or axillary spiciform racemes, the of very numerous, clustered, the Q few, at the base only. Calyx in O at first globular, then breaking into 4—6 valvate lobes; in Q of 5—8 unequal linear lobes. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens as many as the calyx-lobes, exserted; filaments at first inflexed; anthers dorsifixed, the cells parallel, often glandular at base. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles connate below, spreading and bifid above and again divided in plumose arms; pistillode in of columnar. Fruit a 3-lobed capsule. Seeds globose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

SYMPHYLLIA MALLOTIFORMIS, Muell. Arg. Adenochlaena indica, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 418. Cephalocroton indicum, Bedd. Fl. t. 261. Deccan, hills of Cuddapah, along streams at about 3,000 ft. (Fischer); W. Gháts, from S. Canara and Coorg to Nilgiris, Anamalais and the hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests, about 3,500 ft.

A tree with elliptic coriaceous shining entire leaves up to 7 in. long, 3.5 in. broad, very small flowers in close spikes and a grey

capsule '75 in. in diam.

### 34. Coelodepas, Hassk.

Trees. Leaves alternate, oblong, entire or toothed, penninerved. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, in axillary spikes or clusters, the of elongate, slender. Calyx in of globose, splitting into 3—4 valvate lobes; in Q cupular, often enlarged in fruit, 4—10-lobed, the lobes imbricate. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 4—8, the filaments cuneately dilated from below upwards; anthers didymous. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles flattened, spreading, lobed; pistillode in of minute. Fruit a capsule of 3, 2-valved, stellately pubescent cocci. Seeds subglobose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

COELODEPAS CALYCINUM, Bedd. Fl. t. 320; F. B. I. v. 419.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly near Papanassam (Beddome),

Sivagiri Hills (Wight).

A small tree with oblong acuminate crenate leaves reaching 7 in. long, 2 in. broad; of flowers in very slender interrupted spikes of clusters and Q flowers in short spikes. The capsule is minutely fulvous tomentose, 4 in. in diam. Wood very hard (Bedd.). Vern. *Tam.* Kattupira.

### 35. Alchornea, Sw.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed, ribbed, usually stippellate at the base and glandular above at the base. Flowers dioecious or rarely monoecious, small, in simple or panicled spikes or racemes; of small, clustered, Q solitary to a bract. Calyx in of globose, closed in bud, splitting into usually 4 valvate lobes; in Q the 3—6 lobes, usually 4, imbricate. Petals 0. Disk 0. Ovary 2—3-, rarely 4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles distinct usually long and linear, simple or lobed; pistillode in of 0. Fruit a capsule of 2—3 2-valved crustaceous cocci. Seeds subglobose, not strophiolate; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Alchornea mollis, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 420.

N. Circars, in the hills, in moist valleys (Roxburgh), at Ettra-

konda in Godavari (V. Narayanswami).

A small tree with broadly ovate or suborbicular cuspidate-acuminate villous 3-ribbed stipellate leaves, up to 5 in. long, 3 in. broad, but Roxburgh gives the maximum as 12 and 8, which is quite likely especially with coppice shoots. The capsule is softly grey-pubescent. Vern. Tel. Badeki.

# 36. Cleidion, Blume.

Glabrous trees. Leaves alternate, toothed, penninerved. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, & in long axillary racemes; Q single or in pairs on a long axillary peduncle; bracts very small. Calyx in & globose at first, splitting into 2—4 valvate lobes; Q 3—5-lobed, the lobes imbricate. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens numerous, in a globose mass on a conical receptacle; filaments free; anthers dorsifixed, 4-celled or 2-celled, the cells transversely didymous on a broad connective. Ovary 2—4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles connate below, with 2—3 long filiform arms; pistillode in & 0. Fruit a capsule of

1-3 2-valved cocci. Seeds subglobose; testa coriaceous, sometimes with another membranous as well; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

CLEIDION JAVANICUM, Blume; F. B. I. v. 444; Bedd. Fl. t. 272.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, in evergreen forests up to 3,000 ft., but not common.

A moderate-sized evergreen tree with elliptic acuminate longpetioled leaves up to 9 in. long, 4 in. broad, and capsules 1 in. in diam. Bark greenish-white, smooth; wood greyish-white, soft and not durable. Vern. Mal. Yellari.

### 37. Macaranga, Thouars.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, often large and peltate, entire or lobed, usually glandular beneath, 3-many-ribbed at the base; petioles often long and stipules large. Flowers usually dioecious, in axillary racemes or panicles, bracteate, the of minute, in clusters, the Q one or few, to each bract; bract often large. Calyx in o globose or obovoid, splitting into 3-5 valvate, lobes; in Q 2-4-lobed. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens one or more central; filaments short, free; anthers 4-celled, or 2-celled and 4-valved. Ovary 2-6-celled, rarely by abortion I-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles entire, short or long; pistillode in of 0. Fruit a small capsule of 1 or more 2-valved cocci, sometimes echinate, often glandular or waxy. Seeds globose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Leaves in all large and broadly peltate, orbicular-ovate, acuminate, entire or shortly toothed, with usually 9 radiating ribs at the base, the midrib with 7—12 pairs of nerves, the two next nerved on the outer side, the transverse nervules parallel:-Panicle branches usually zigzag:-

Floral bracts small, usually with a large flat glandular appendage, the panicle branches shortly jointed; style lateral, subulate, stamens usually about 6-8

Floral bracts boat-shaped, toothed and acuminate, auricled at base, tomentose, the panicle branches with distant slender joints; stamens usually 4-6

Panicle branches not zigzag; floral bracts broad and close, concealing the flowers, cup-like dentate and obtuse, very tomentose; style lateral, sessile, peltate, stamens 2-5, usually 3.....

1. Macaranga indica, Wt. Ic. t. 1883 and t. 1949 ii; F. B. I. v. 446; Bedd. Fl. t. 287, Fig. A.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, hills of Malabar and Pulneys, at 3,000—

6,000 ft. in second-growth forest chiefly.

A quick-growing tree with glaucous branchlets and large stipules, the leaves with round resinous yellow glands beneath, and usually softly tomentose. Bark grey, smooth; wood greyishred, soft.

2. Macaranga flexuosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1949 iii.

W. Gháts, at Courtallum in Tinnevelly (Wight).

A tree with glaucous branchlets and fulvous innovations, the leaves rather thin and greyish beneath with prominent large peltate glands.

3. Macaranga peltata, Muell. Arg. M. Roxburghii, Wt. Ic. t. 1949 iv; F. B. I. v. 448. M. tomentosa, Wt. Ic. t. 1949 i; Bedd. Fl. t. 287 Mappa ? peltata, Wt. Ic. t. 817.

N. Circars, in hill valleys, especially in Rampa; Deccan, hills of Cuddapah; W. Gháts, in most Districts, in second-growth

forest up to 3,000 ft.

A small resinous quick-growing tree with glaucous branchlets. large stipules and leaves glandular and more or less villous beneath. Bark pale, with lenticels; wood pale brown, soft, of no value. The red gum can be used for taking impressions. Vern. Tam. Vattakanni; Mal. Vatta.

### 38. Claoxylon, A. Juss.

Trees or shrubs, the buds not perulate. Leaves alternate, petioled, entire or glandular-dentate, stipules minute, early caducous. Flowers dioecious, rarely monoecious, in elongate racemes, often fascicled: bracts in of usually 1-many, in Q 1-flowered. Calyx in of closed in bud, subglobose, splitting valvately in 2-4 lobes; in Q usually 3-lobed. Petals 0. Disk in of 0, in Q of hypogynous glands, free or connate in a cup. Stamens 10 or many, usually 20-30; filaments short or long; anthers erect, the cells distinct, connate at the base; often many glands or ciliate scales between the filaments. Ovary 2-4-celled; ovule I in each cell; stlyes free or connate only at the base, sometimes fringed. Fruit a capsule of 2-3 cocci dehiscing loculicidally. Seeds globose, not carunculate, arillate or not; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

CLAOXYLON ANOMALUM, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 412. Evergreen forests of Tinnevelly about Courtallum (Wight), about Strathmore in Travancore at 3,500 ft. (Bourdillon). A shrub with soft branches, oblong-lanceolate acuminate leaves

with long petioles, flowers in rather dense spikes having no scales

between the stamens and a white-pubescent capsule.

# 39. Micrococca, Benth.

Herbs or undershrubs, the buds not perulate. Leaves alternate, the lower rarely opposite, membranous, dentate, petioled; stipules minute. Flowers dioecious or monoecious, minute, in distant clusters on axillary racemes, the clusters often catkin-like with many imbricate bracts; the racemes solitary or fascicled, usually unisexual and various in arrangement; of flowers pedicelled. Calyx of of closed in bud, apiculate, splitting into 3 lobes; of Q 3-4, larger, imbricate. Petals 0. Disk in Q hypogynous, of linear glands. Stamens 3-30, central on a receptacle; filaments erect; anthers erect, the cells distinct obovoid, connate at base; glands or ciliate scales between the filaments. Ovary 3-celled; ovules 1 in each cell; styles free, plumose-laciniate. Fruit a capsule of 3 cocci dehiscing loculicidally and also septicidally. Seeds subglobose with a very thin arillus; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Perennial undershrubs:-

Racemes elongate-filiform, about 4 in. long, glabrous or hispid, the flower-clusters distant; leaves glabrous, elliptic-lanceolate, coarsely dentate or entire, acuminate at both ends, up to 7 in. long, 1.5 in. broad, long-petioled

Racemes short, under 2 in. long, hairy, the flower-clusters fairly close; leaves sparsely softly white- or fulvous-silky, lanceolate, entire or crenate, acute at both ends, up to 3 in. long, 1 in. broad (in the var. larger), petioles short...2. Wightii.

1. Micrococca Beddomei, Prain in Ann. Bot. xxv. 630. Claoxylon Beddomei, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 413. C. indicum, Bedd. Ic. t. 231. not of Hassk.

W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly,

up to 6,000 ft.

An undershrub, nearly glabrous or sparsely hispid on the racemes and branchlets, the capsule glabrous or strigose-hispid.

2. MICROCOCCA WIGHTII, Prain l.c. Claoxylon Wightii Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 413.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly (Wight, Beddome).

A slender undershrub with narrow leaves up to 1 in, broad.

Var. hirsutum, Prain. Claoxylon hirsutum, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 413. leaves larger, densely yellowish-silky with long spreading soft hairs, as is the capsule. Hills of Tinnevelly, Singampatti at the Snake falls 2,500 ft. (Beddome).

3. MICROCOCCA MERCURIALIS, Benth. Claoxylon Mercurialis, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 412.

Most plains Districts, a weed of cultivated land and roadsides. An annual herb, reaching 2 ft. in height, the capsule glabrous or sparsely hispid.

# 40. Acalypha, Linn.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves alternate, usually serrate or crenate, rarely entire, penninerved or 3—5-ribbed; petioles often long. Flowers usually monoecious, in axillary or terminal spikes or racemes; of very minute, sometimes separate, sometimes lower, more usually upper, with or without small bracts; Q bracteate, the bracts generally leafy and concave; bracteoles very small. Calyx in of 4 minute valvate membranous lobes, at first combined; in Q of 3-4 minute imbricate lobes. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens many, often 8, on a convex receptacle; filaments short, free; anther-cells distinct, divaricate, often at length twisted or flexuous. Ovary 3-celled; ovule solitary in each cell; styles filiform, often very long and laciniate; pistillode in of 0. Fruit a small capsule of 3 small, 2-valved, crustaceous cocci. Seeds subglobose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Flowers of Q pedicelled, with minute bracts, in terminal lax panicles; those of o in very slender axillary spikes; leaves membranous long-petioled, ovate, acuminate, rounded truncate or even cordate at base, strongly serrate, sparsely hairy, up to 

Flowers of Q sessile with fairly large or small bracts:—
Flowers of Q in terminal short spikes, of G axillary, in slender spikes; bracts of Q broad and dentate, enclosing the capsule; leaves ovate, acute, rounded or cordate at base, crenate, pubescent, up to Q in long, Q in broad...Q almifolia. Flowers of both G and Q in axillary spikes, the G uppermost and few:—

Bracts rather large, Q—Q in. long, leafy, dentate, folded, alternate on erect spikes; G flowers minute, followed by a tuft of sterile flowers; leaves long-

rarely 1 in long.-

Bracts deeply 3—5-lobed, 3 longer lobes strap-shaped, long-ciliate; leaves membranous, long-petioled, ovate, acuminate, cordate at base, crenate, hispid, Bracts campanulate, with many nerves ending in long subulate hispid teeth; leaves membranous, long-petioled, ovate, cuspidate-acuminate, rounded or cuneate at base, serrate, glandular, up to 3.5 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; capsules glabrous..... Bracts folded, shortly toothed, the teeth with gland-tipped hairs, otherwise lanceolate, acute, cuneate at base, crenate-serrate, up to 2.5 in. long and nearly as broad, but usually smaller; capsules hispid with glandular-based hairs......7. lanceolata. Flowers of Q few, sessile at the base of slender many-flowered of spikes about 1 in. long; bracts folded, cuneate, villous and glandular, 15 in. long; leaves ovate, obtusely acuminate or acute, cuneate at base, crenate, glabrous, glandular beneath, up to 3 in. long, 1.5 in. broad; capsules tomentose with large yellow 

 ACALYPHA PANICULATA, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 415.
 Carnatic, hills of S. Arcot; W. Gháts, in all Districts from the Wynaad southwards, in shady moist places up to 4,000 ft. A small branching undershrub.

2. Acalypha alnifolia, Klein ex Willd.; F. B. I. v. 415.

Deccan and Carnatic, westwards to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts, up to about 3,000 ft.

A small shrub, the stems usually with long soft shining hairs, the stems and leaves sometimes grey-tomentose.

3. Acalypha indica, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 416; Wt. Ic. t. 877.

All plains Districts and in the lower hills, a weed of gardens, roadsides and cultivated land.

An erect annual herb. Vern. Tam. Kupamani.

4. Acalypha brachystachya, Hornem.; F. B. I. v. 416.

W. Gháts, Mysore, Nilgiris, Anamalais and Pulneys, usually above 3,000 ft. in shade of Shola forests.

A slender flaccid annual herb, 1 ft. or little more in height.

5. Acalypha ciliata, Forsk.; F. B. I. v. 417.

Deccan, hills of Kurnool; W. Gháts, in all Districts, in forest undergrowth, at 1,000—4,000 ft.

An erect annual herb up to 2 ft. in height.

6. Acalypha Malabarica, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 416. S. Canara and Mysore.

A rather stout leafy annual herb, up to 1 ft. in height.

7. Acalypha lanceolata, Willd. A. fallax, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 416. N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore, on waste land and in fields.

An annual herb, reaching 18 in. in height, the stems often clothed with long silky deciduous hairs, the leaves variable in shape.

8. Acalypha fruticosa, Forsk.; F. B. I. v. 415.

Deccan and Carnatic, West to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts, in dry localities.

A strong-smelling shrub with many yellow waxy glands, much branching.

A. Wilkesiana, Muell. Arg., is a shrub from the Fiji Islands very commonly grown in gardens for its coloured highly ornamental leaves and flower-spikes.

### 41. Tragia, Linn.

Perennial herbs, usually climbing, hispid with stinging hairs. Leaves alternate, simple or palmately 3-lobed, serrate, 3—5-ribbed at the base; stipules prominent at first, early deciduous. Flowers monoecious in terminal or leaf-opposed androgynous racemes, the of uppermost, the Q below and few. Calyx in of globose or obovoid, valvately 3—5-partite; in Q of 6 imbricate, usually pinnatifid, lobes, enlarged, hardened, and spreading stellately in fruit. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 1—3, rarely more, usually 3; filaments free or connate; anthers with contiguous parallel cells. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles united in a column, spreading above. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci; endocarp crustaceous. Seeds globose; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

Leaves simple:—

Leaves not cordate at base, acute in uppermost or younger, rounded in lower or older ones, the large ones broadly ovate, abruptly acuminate, coarsely serrate, up to 4 in. long, 3 in. broad, longer and much narrower in the var.; fruiting calyx-lobes with narrow glabrous midrib and 4—6 pairs of short hispid teeth

1. involucrata.

Leaves cordate at base:-

Leaves palmately 3-partite, the middle lobe the longest and sometimes alone, the lobes pinnatifid, hispid and grey, about 3 in. long; fruiting calyx-lobes rather narrow, with 8—10 straight teeth, sparsely white-strigose..................................5. cannabina.

1. Tragia involucrata, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 465.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic to S. Travancore.

An evergreen climbing hispid herb with stinging bristles, variable in foliage, the leaves rather thick. Vern. Hind. Barhanta.

Var. angustifolia, Hook. f. Leaves long and narrow, up to 6 in. long, 5-75 in. broad; fruiting calvx-lobes with very short teeth. Hills of N. Coimbatore at 4,000 ft. (Fischer); Pulney Hills.

(Bourne, van Malderen).

2. Tragia bicolor, Miq.; F. B. I. v. 465. W. Gháts, Nilgiri and Pulney Hills, at 5,000-6,000 ft., in Shola forests.

A slender climbing stinging herb, hispid below, bright goldentomentose on the innovations.

3. Tragia hispida, Willd. T. involucrata, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 465 in part. W. Coast, S. Canara and Malabar. A slender climbing stinging herb.

4. Tragia muelleriana, Pax and K. Hoffm. T. involucrata, Linn., var. cordata, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 465.

W. Gháts, Wynaad to the hills of Cochin, at 3,000-5,000 ft. in evergreen forest.

A slender stinging climbing herb.

5. Tragia cannabina, Linn. f. T. involucrata var. cannabina, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 465.

N. Circars, Deccan and Carnatic, in hedges and on waste lands. A hispid erect or climbing shrub with stinging hairs, the leaves variable, sometimes not tripartite, sometimes with long narrow lobes.

# 42. Homonoia, Lour.

Rigid shrubs. Leaves alternate, glandular-scaly beneath; stipules slender, deciduous. Flowers dioecious, in axillary or lateral spikes, bract 1, bracteoles 2. Calyx in of globose in bud, splitting valvately in 3 lobes; in Q of 5-8 small imbricate caducous lobes. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens very numerous, in a dense globose cluster of repeatedly branching filaments; anthers with 2 subglobose divaricate cells. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 3 spreading and very papillose. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci. Seeds ovoid; testa crustaceous with an outer fleshy coat; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Leaves linear or linear-oblong, acute or rarely obtuse, entire or more or less serrulate towards the apex, glabrous above, very glandular-scaly beneath, up to Leaves obovate or oblanceolate, emarginate, cuneate at base, serrate-dentate, glabrous above, sparsely glandular-scaly beneath, 1-1.5 in. long, 5-7 in. broad; spikes in both of and Q short.....

1. Homonoia Riparia, Lour.; F. B. I. v. 455. Adelia neriifolia, Roth.; Wt. Ic. t. 1868.

All Districts, at lower levels, in the beds of rivers and streams, especially among rocks.

An evergreen shrub. Bark brown; wood grey or greyish-brow moderately hard, close-grained. Vern. Tel. Taniki; Mal. Katallári.

2. Homonoia retusa, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 456. Adelia retusa, Wt. Ic. t. 1869.

N. Circars from the Godavari southwards; Deccan and Carnatic in places, in river beds, not common.

A small shrub.

#### 43. Lasiococca, Hook. f.

Small trees. Leaves alternate opposite or subverticillate, entire, penninerved, eglandular, shortly petioled; stipules deciduous. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, of in racemes, Q solitary, axillary or lateral; bracts small. Calyx of of flower globose, splitting valvately in 3 lobes; of Q of 5—7 unequal lobes, persistent and accrescent in fruit. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens numerous, in a much-branched column of filaments; anthers many, cells globose, divaricate with arching connectives. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 3, filiform, erect, with papillose stigmatic surfaces. Fruit a capsule of 3 cocci, deciduous from a 3-cornered columella, covered with bristles or conical tubercles. Seeds subglobose, smooth; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons thin, subcordate.

LASIOCOCCA COMBERI, Haines in Kew Bull. 1920, 70.

N. Circars, hills of Vizagapatam, at 3,000-4,000 ft. (A. W.

Lushington).

A small tree with obovate, or somewhat panduriform leaves obtusely abruptly acuminate at apex, narrowed and then cordate at base, up to 6 in. long, 2 in. broad. The Q flowers are long-peduncled and the capsules covered with conical tubercles ending in a hair.

# 44. Ricinus, Linn.

A tall glabrous glaucous annual shrub. Leaves alternate, palmately lobed with 7 or more serrate lobes. Flowers monoecious, in terminal paniculate racemes, the upper  $\sigma$ , crowded, the lower  $\varphi$ . Calyx in  $\sigma$  membranous, splitting into 3—5 valvate lobes; in  $\varphi$  spathaceous, caducous. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens very many, the filaments connate and repeatedly branched; anthers with distinct distant subglobose divergent cells. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles entire 2-fid or 2-partite, papillose. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci, prickly without. Seeds oblong; testa crustaceous, marbled; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad.

RICINUS COMMUNIS, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 457.

Cultivated and found run wild in the fields and gardens, by road-

sides and on waste land. Castor-oil plant.

Often almost a small tree with a thin greyish-brown bark and soft white wood. It is cultivated for the oil which is expressed from the seeds and used for burning, as a lubricant and in medicine. Vern. *Hind.* Arend; *Tam.* Sittamunuk; *Tel.* Amadam; *Kan.* Haralu.

### 45. Dalechampia, Linn.

Shrubs or undershrubs, often climbing. Leaves alternate, entire or 3—5-lobed or foliolate. Flowers monoecious, in dense axillary peduncled heads, with a pair of large leafy usually coloured bracts; of central with an involucel of smaller bracts and sometimes processes representing sterile flowers; Q lateral and basal also with an involucel of smaller bracts. Calyx in of globose splitting into 4—6 valvate lobes; in Q of 5—12 fimbriate or lacerate imbricate lobes. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens many, 20—30, the filaments connate below in a column inserted on the convex receptacle; anthers with parallel cells. Ovary 3—4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles connate in a stout thickened column with a terminal entire or slightly lobed stigma. Fruit a deeply lobed capsule splitting into 3—4 2-valved cocci, the valves hard. Seeds globose, not caruncled; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

1. DALECHAMPIA INDICA, Wt. Ic. t. 1882; F. B. I. v. 467.

Carnatic, from the Nellore Veligondas (Heyne) and the Kambakam Hills of Chingleput (Rangachari) southwards and west-

wards to the E. slopes of the W. Gháts.

A slender twining undershrub with large yellow involucral bracts

and slender short fruiting calyx, very glandular.

2. Dalechampia velutina, Wt. Ic. t. 1881; F. B. I. v. 467.

W. Gháts, Nilgiri Hills, above 5,000 ft. (Wight, King, Bidie, Fischer).

A slender twining undershrub with large bracts and conspicuously strigose fruiting calyx.

### 46. Ostodes, Blume.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire or serrate, usually penninerved, stipular. Flowers dioecious or monoecious, in lax terminal and lateral panicled usually pendulous racemes, of in fascicles, Q in separate racemes or solitary in of ones. Calyx of 5 broad unequal imbricate lobes. Petals 5—6, larger, longer than calyx-lobes. Disk of 5 glands or annular. Stamens numerous, on a convex or columnar receptacle; filaments free; anthers dorsifixed, connective broad. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles short, 2-cleft. Fruit a large subglobose 6-ribbed capsule, the exocarp separable from the hard endocarp, breaking up into 3 2-valved cocci. Seeds ovoid; testa crustaceous with a fleshy outer layer; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

Ostodes Zeylanicus, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 400; Bedd. Fl. t. 274. W. Gháts, Wynaad, Anamalais, Atapadi Hills of Malabar and hills of Travancore, up to 3,000 ft.

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A large tree with large long-petioled oblong or oblanceolate distantly serrate leaves, up to 12 in. long, 4 in. broad. Wood white, soft and perishable.

Var. minor, Thw. Leaves smaller, up to 7 in. long, fewer-nerved and nearly entire, the racemes shorter, the capsule smaller and

W. Gháts, Wynaad (Lawson) to Travancore.

# 47. Dimorphocalyx, Thw.

Glabrous trees. Leaves alternate, entire, penninerved, stipulate. Flowers dioecious, of usually in axillary cymes or racemes or solitary, Q solitary or 2—3 together and terminal or leaf-opposed. Calyx in o cup-shaped with 5 small lobes; in Q large, of 5 oblong obtuse imbricate lobes, enlarged and spreading in fruit. Petals 5, erect, imbricate. Disk in of of glands, in Q annular. Stamens 10-20, usually in 2 rows, on a short column; filaments thick; anthers dorsifixed, the cells adnate to the thick connective, parallel or divergent. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 3, connate at the base, bifid. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved crustaceous cocci surrounded at the base by the persistent calyx-lobes. Seeds ovoid, testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons

Fruiting calyx obovate, obtuse, 25—5 in. long, with a glandular pit on back near the tip; leaves elliptic or lanceolate, obtuse or acute, up to about 5 in. long, 2 in. broad; capsule 5 in. long, slightly hispid-villous, shortly lobed...1. glabellus. 2 in. broad; capsule 5 in. long, slightly hispid-villous, snortly loned..... guarants. Fruiting calyx elliptic-oblong or lanceolate, emarginate, 5—1 in. long, the lobes unequal; leaves elliptic-oblong or lanceolate, usually long-, but obtusely-acuminate, up to 7 in. long, 2.5 in. broad; capsule 5—7 in. long, villous, scarcely lobed 2. Lawianus.

1. DIMORPHOCALYX GLABELLUS, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 403; Trimen Fl. Ceyl.

N. Circars, coast scrub near the sea, Vizagapatam (W. Elliot, Gamble); W. Gháts, Anamalais and hills of Tinnevelly. A small much-branched tree, the leaves reddish brown when dry and rather thin, the branchlets nearly white.

2. DIMORPHOCALYX LAWIANUS, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 404; Trigonostemon Lawianus, Bedd. Fl. t. 273.

W. Gháts, in all Districts, western side, in evergreen forests, up

A small or moderate-sized tree with nearly white branchlets. Wood white, hard, close-grained.

# 48. Blachia, Baill.

Glabrous shrubs or small trees. Leaves alternate or sub-opposite, petioled, entire, penninerved. Flowers monoecious or subdioecious, o' terminal, umbellate or racemose, on filiform pedicels, Q solitary or fascicled, on thickened pedicels. Sepals in 0 4-5, membranous, concave, imbricate; in Q lanceolate or oblong, in fruit sometimes accrescent, sometimes caducous. Petals in of 4-5, small, rounded, hyaline; in Q 0. Disk in of of scale-like glands alternating with the

petals; in Q annular. Stamens 10—20, on a convex receptacle; filaments free; anther-cells on the margin of the connective, at length confluent. Ovary 3—4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles distinct, filiform, 2-partite. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci. Seeds oblong, estrophiolate; testa crustaceous, often mottled, shining; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

1. Blachia reflexa, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 402.
W. Gháts—"Nilgiris and Coorg" (G. Thomson), Travancore (Bourdillon) in evergreen forests, about 1,000 ft.

Blachia umbellata, Baill.; F. B. I. v. 402.
 W. Gháts, Coorg, Wynaad and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests, at 1,000—3,000 ft.

A shrub or small tree.

3. Blachia calycina, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 402. Croton umbellatum, Wt. Ic. t. 1874.

W. Gháts, hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in evergreen forests, at 1,000—2,000 ft.

A shrub.

4. Blachia denudata, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 403.

. W. Gháts, S. Canara (Beddome); Bababudan Hills of Mysore (Law).

A shrub or small tree, the specimens probably right but a little uncertain, as the leaves are so variable.

### 49. Jatropha, Linn.

Herbs, shrubs or trees, often glandular or prickly. Leaves alternate, entire or palmately-lobed or -partite; stipules often ciliate. Flowers monoecious, in terminal cymes; the central flowers of the cyme or its forks usually Q. Calyx of 5 often coloured imbricate lobes. Petals 5, contorted, free or connate, sometimes absent in Q. Disk entire or of 5 glands. Stamens numerous; filaments connate or those of the outer series free; anthers erect, ovate or oblong, the cells parallel, contiguous. Ovary 2—4-celled; ovule solitary in each cell; styles connate below, 2-fid above, the lobes entire or again bifid. Fruit a capsule of 2—4 2-valved cocci; endocarp crustaceous or bony. Seeds ovoid or oblong; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

3. gossypifolia.

]	Petals free or nearly so:— Leaves without glands, 3-lobed to below the middle, sometimes simple, sometimes 5-lobed, the lobes long and narrow, the base cuneate, length up to 8 in., stipules capillary; capsule 5—7 in. long, often pustulate heterophylla.	; B.
	Leaves glandular, palmately 3—5-lobed to below the middle:— Leaves serrate, each tooth ending in a gland-tipped bristle, lobes obovate, shortly acuminate; stipules very long with many filiform glandular-tipped divisions; capsule 4—5 in long; rugose	very Tel
	Leaves entire, the margins with a close row of shortly stipitate viscid glands which occur, though longer and branched, on the petioles and short stipules, lobes obovate, shortly acute; capsule 4 in. long, reticulate-rugose	and

Petals connate to the middle or above it:

Glabrous, the leaves not peltate, orbicular-cordate, entire or 3-5-lobed or -angled, up to 6 in. in diam.; capsule subglobose or ellipsoid, about 1 in. 

Branchlets and leaves beneath fulvous-tomentose, the leaves peltate, suborbicular, obtusely 5-7-lobed, up to about 6 in. in diam.; capsule globosely oblong, up 

1. Jatropha Heterophylla, Heyne; F. B. I. v. 382.

Deccan, from Nellore and Cuddapah westwards to Coimbatore and the N. side of Nilgiris, on dry stony ground. A small low glabrous shrub branching from a tuberous rootstock, the flowers greenish.

2. Jatropha glandulifera, Roxb.; F. B. I. v. 382.

Deccan and Carnatic, from the Kistna river southwards, often on black cotton soil.

A shrub with stout thick branches with a smooth papery pale bark, the flowers greenish-yellow.

3. Jatropha Gossypifolia, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 383.

All plains Districts, on roadsides and in waste places, a common weed, introduced from Brazil, and quite naturalized. A small dark-coloured shrub with soft wood and reddish flowers. Vern. Tam. Atalai; Tel. Nela--amida.

4. JATROPHA CURCAS, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 383.

All plains Districts, about villages and in hedges, an American plant, cultivated and naturalized. Physic Nut. A shrub or small tree with yellowish-green flowers. Bark greenish-white, smooth, peeling off in thin flakes; wood white, very soft. The seeds give a medicinal oil. Vern. Hind. Bagberenda; Tel. Nepalam; Tam. Kaat-amunak.

5. JATROPHA WIGHTIANA, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 383. J. peltata, Wt. Ic. t. 1169 (J. villosa in text).

W. Deccan, Mysore and Coimbatore, in dry stony scrub. A low branching shrub with pale yellowish flowers.

J. multifida, Linn., the Coral Plant, is a glabrous shrub, native of America, which is commonly cultivated in gardens. It has handsome leaves of orbicular outline very much cut palmately into narrow lobes, while the peduncles and flowers are bright red. Some other species of the genus are also occasionally found in gardens in cultivation.

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#### 50. Tritaxis, Baill.

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed, penninerved. Flowers usually monoecious in terminal dichotomous cymes, the central flower of each cyme subsessile Q, surrounded by many of pedicelled. Calyx 5-lobed. Petals 5, longer than the calyx-lobes. Disk of 5 glands. Stamens in 2—3 whorls, the inner or all forming a central column; anthers of the outer whorl erect, of the inner horizontal, the cells parallel, introrse. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 2-fid. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci.

TRITAXIS BEDDOMEI, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 384.

W. Gháts, hills of Tinnevelly and Travancore (Beddome).

A small tree with slender terete branches, thinly coriaceous leaves reaching 4 in. in length, and terminal branching cymes.

### 51. Trigonostemon, Blume.

Evergreen trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate, penninerved. Flowers monoecious, in axillary or terminal spikes, racemes or cymes. Calyx of 5 imbricate lobes. Petals 5, sometimes 0 in Q. Disk of 5 glands, often united in a lobed cup. Stamens 3 or 5, connate in a short column with free spreading tips; anthers erect or horizontal, the cells united by their bases. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles bifid or twice bifid, rarely entire. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved cocci. Seeds ovoid or globose; testa crustaceous, mottled; albumen fleshy; cotyledons broad, flat.

TRIGONOSTEMON NEMORALIS, Thw.; F. B. I. v. 398; Bedd. Ic. t. 182. W. Gháts, Wynaad (Beddome), hills of Tinnevelly, in evergreen

forests, at 2,000-3,000 ft., often on river banks.

A shrub or small tree with elliptic-oblong or -lanceolate sinuatelobed leaves reaching 6 in, long, the young parts and inflorescence strigose-hairy, the flowers red.

### 52. Givotia, Griff.

A tree, conspicuously softly white-stellate-tomentose on branchlets, inflorescence and undersurface of leaves. Leaves alternate, broadly ovate or orbicular, cordate, coarsely dentate, palmately ribbed, long-petioled. Flowers dioecious, in axillary or subterminal racemose or paniculate cymes; pedicels jointed; bracts linear, conspicuous. Calyx of 5 oblong imbricate lobes. Petals 5, longer than the calyx-lobes, cohering in a campanulate corolla. Disk of of orbicular glands, of Q cupular. Stamens 13—25, on a villous receptacle; filaments erect, connate below; anthers ovate, dorsifixed, the cells parallel. Ovary 2—3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles short, spreading, 2-fid. Fruit a sub-globose drupe, 1 seeded. Seed globose or ellipsoid; testa bony; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

GIVOTIA ROTTLERIFORMIS, Griff.; F. B. I. v. 395; Wt. Ic. t. 1889;

Bedd. Fl. t. 285.

Deccan, hilly country in Hyderabad and the Ceded Districts to Coimbatore; hills of the Carnatic to S. Travancore; E. slopes of W. Ghats, in dry deciduous forests chiefly.

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A moderate-sized tree conspicuous for its large leaves densely white-tomentose beneath reaching a diameter of up to 10 in. The flower-panicles are usually more fulvous-tomentose, with distant clusters, the drupe 1 in. long. Bark brown, smooth, peeling off in circular scales; wood white, very light and soft, used for carved images, toys, lacquered articles and catamarans. The seeds give an oil. Vern. Tel. Tella puliki; Tam. Vendalai.

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### 53. Baliospermum, Blume.

Erect shrubs or undershrubs. Leaves alternate, minutely lobed, palminerved or penninerved, biglandular at base. Flowers small, monoecious or dioecious, in fascicles, panicles or racemes. Calyx in of globose, opening in 4—5 membranous concave imbricate lobes; in Q of 5—6 lanceolate entire or toothed lobes sometimes accrescent in fruit. Petals 0. Disk in of of 4—6 glands, in Q annular. Stamens numerous, 10—30, on a central receptacle; filaments slender, free; anthers terminal, the cells adnate to the broad connective. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles stout, 2-fid or 2-partite with smooth stigmatic surfaces. Fruit a capsule of 3 2-valved crustaceous cocci. Seeds ovoid, caruncled; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

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Baliospermum montanum, Muell. Arg. B. axillare, Blume; F. B. I. v. 461. B. polyandrum, Wt. Ic. t. 1885.

N. Circars, Deccan and W. Coast, in shady places, at low levels. A stout leafy undershrub from 3—6 ft. high with leaves very variable in shape and size, the large ones ovate oblong or rounded, often 12 in. long and long-petioled, the small upper ones lanceolate. The seeds give a medicinal oil. Vern. *Hind.* Danti.

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# 54. Gelonium, Roxb.

Evergreen glabrous trees or shrubs, the branches with stipular lines at the nodes. Leaves alternate or sometimes opposite, pellucid-punctate, entire or serrate; stipules connate, sheathing, caducous. Flowers small, dioecious, in axillary cymes or clusters. Calyx in of of 5 concave orbicular imbricate lobes, in Q of 5—6 narrower lobes. Petals 0. Disk in of 0, in Q cupular, the glands large, peripheric. Stamens 10—60, free, central on a convex receptacle, often mixed with rugose glands; filaments filiform; anthers oblong, dorsifixed, the cells parallel. Ovary 2—4-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles minute, reniform semilunate or bifid, depressed. Fruit a globose or obscurely lobed usually fleshy or crustaceous capsule. Seeds subglobose, arillate; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

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Flowers rather large, many, in cymes or clusters; leaves elliptic or elliptic-oblong, acute, up to 7 in. long; capsule rough, obscurely lobed, 5—75 in. in diam.

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1. Gelonium multiflorum, A. Juss.; F. B. I. v. 459.

N. Circars, in evergreen forests and shady places; Travancore, but perhaps cultivated.

A small evergreen tree with coriaceous shining leaves. Bark grey, wood yellowish-white, close-grained. Vern. Ur. Khakra.

2. Gelonium lanceolatum, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 459; Wt. Ic. t. 1867.

N. Circars and Deccan, in hilly country; W. Gháts, Cochin and Travancore, at low levels, in evergreen forest. A small evergreen tree with shining pale coriaceous leaves Vern. Tel. Suragada; Tam. Kakaipalai.

### 55. Sebastiania, Spreng.

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves alternate, penninerved. Flowers minute, monoecious, in slender racemes, the & 1—3 to each bract, the & solitary or at the base of the raceme. Calyx of & minute, membranous, unequally 5-lobed or -partite, of & 3-lobed or -partite. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 2—4; filaments short, free or nearly so; anther-cells distinct, contiguous, parallel. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles free or connate at base, entire, revolute or spreading. Fruit a capsule of 3 cocci separating from a columella. Seeds oblong or subglobose, carunculate; testa smooth, albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Sebastiania Chamaelea, Muell. Arg.; F. B. I. v. 475.

All plains Districts, a weed of cultivated land, and forest undergrowth

A glabrous annual herb with linear leaves up to 3 in. long and a capsule with two rows of spines on the cocci.

### 56. Excoecaria, Linn.

Glabrous trees or shrubs with acrid milky juice. Leaves alternate or opposite, entire or subserrate. Flowers monoecious or dioecious, very small, in bracteate spikes or racemes, the of 1—3 to each bract, 2-bracteolate, the Q at the base or in separate inflorescences; rhachis with large glands beneath or at the sides of the bracts. Calyx in of of 3 small subequal lobes, in Q 3-fid or -partite. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 3, filaments free, anthers didymous, the cells parallel. Ovary 3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles 3, stout, spreading or recurved. Fruit a capsule of 3 cocci separating from a columella, the valves crustaceous, twisting elastically. Seeds subglobose, not carunculate; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

Leaves alternate, ovate-elliptic or orbicular, shortly acuminate, entire or sinuate-crenate, glabrous, up to 3 in. long, 2 in. broad; ♂ spikes very catkin-like, slender, up to 5 in. long, filaments long; capsule deeply lobed, 3 in. in diam., smooth

Leaves opposite, serrate or crenulate; filaments short:—

Leaves chartaceous, lanceolate or oblanceolate, acuminate at both ends, up to 6 in. long, 145 in. broad, main nerves regular, 10—16 pairs; 3 spikes slender,

about 2 in. long, the bracteoles subulate; capsule deeply lobed, 5 in. in diam.

 EXCOECARIA AGALLOCHA, Linn.; F. B. I. v. 472; Wt. Ic. t. 1865 B. Tidal forests and swamps on both coasts.

An evergreen tree with a poisonous milky juice. Bark grey, smooth, shining, with prominent lenticels; wood white, very soft, but apparently little used. Vern. *Hind*. Gangwa; *Tel*. Thilla; *Tam*. Tilai; *Mal*. Komatti.

2. Excoecaria crenulata, Wt. Ic. t. 1865; F. B. I. v. 473.

W. Gháts, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly, in Shola forests above 5,000 ft. A small evergreen tree or shrub.

3. Excoecaria robusta, Hook. f.; F. B. I. v. 474.

W. Gháts, Coorg, Nilgiris, Anamalais and hills of Travancore and Tinnevelly; Kolimalai Hills of Trichinopoly; in evergreen forests at 2,000—5,000 ft.

A shrub with stout branches.

E. bicolor, Hassk., is a pretty shrub, common in gardens, having the under-surface of the leaves red.

### 57. Sapium, P. Br.

Trees or shrubs with milky juice. Leaves alternate, entire or toothed, penninerved; petiole often 2-glandular at top. Flowers monoecious, in terminal, simple or panicled, spikes or racemes; of several to each bract, Q solitary, lower down or separate. Petals 0. Disk 0. Stamens 2—3; filaments free; anther-cells distinct, parallel. Ovary 2—3-celled; ovule 1 in each cell; styles free or connate at the base, spreading or recurved. Fruit a crustaceous fleshy or pulpy rarely woody capsule, at length loculicidally 3-valved. Seeds globose, not carunculate, usually long-persistent on the columella; testa crustaceous; albumen fleshy; cotyledons flat.

- SAPIUM INDICUM, Willd.; F. B. I. v. 471; Wt. Ic. t. 1950.
   West Coast, along backwaters in Malabar and Travancore. A small tree with acrid milky juice. Bark smooth, grey; wood
- 2. Sapium insigne, Benth.; F. B. I. v. 471. Falconeria malabarica, Wt. Ic. t. 1866.

Deccan, hills of Kurnool, Cuddapah and Nellore, Kambakam Hill in Chingleput, W. Gháts and W. Coast, usually in rocky

places, up to 6,000 ft.

white with small brown heartwood.

A deciduous tree, usually small, but sometimes of a fair size, the branchlets thick and fleshy, the juice acrid and poisonous. Bark grey, smooth, shining; wood white or grey, soft and spongy. Vern. *Hind*. Lendwa.

S. sebiferum, Roxb., is the Chinese Tallow tree, occasionally found in cultivation. It is the white wax round the seeds that can be used for candles.

Pedilanthus tithymaloides, Poit, is a fleshy American shrub with red or orange flowers, often found in gardens or planted as a hedge plant. Cicca disticha, Linn., is the Star Gooseberry, a small tree allied to Emblica, whose fruits are cooked and eaten or made into preserves. The chief tree grown in plantations to produce india-rubber is Hevea braziliensis, the Pará rubber tree of Brazil, while the less cultivated Ceará rubber is given by Manihot Glaziovii, Muell. Arg.

Manihot utilissima, Pohl, is the Cassava plant, occasionally cultivated for its tubers, which are edible, and from which also the starch

known as Tapioca is prepared.

The common garden shrubs with curiously shaped and variegated leaves known as "Crotons" are species of the genus *Codiaeum*, especially *C. variegatum*, Linn., from the islands of the Pacific.